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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SELECTMEN, TREASURER

and all other

OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

for the

TOWN OF NEWTON


New Hampshire

Financial Year Ending December 31,

2003

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TOWN OFFICERS

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

Rockingham County District 81

Mary M. Allen	382-5665	Term Expires 2004
Kim Casey	772-8506	Term Expires 2004

MODERATOR

Robert S. Dezmelyk	Term Expires 2004
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SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Lisa J. Spencer	Term Expires 2004
Elizabeth B. Leach	Term Expires 2005
Myrtle B. Rogers	Term Expires 2008

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Raymond D. Thayer	Term Expires 2006
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TREASURER

Elizabeth G. Standing	Term Expires 2006
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Mary P. Marshall	Term Expires 2004
Stephen M. Cushing	Term Expires 2005
Norman P. Harding	Term Expires 2006

ROAD COMMISSIONER

Frank E. Gibbs	Term Expires 2005
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CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Andrew P. Morse	Term Expires 2004
Raymond D. Thayer	Term Expires 2005
	Term Expires 2006

TRUSTEES OF THE GALE LIBRARY

Margaret W. Nally	Term Expires 2004
Susan C. Babb	Term Expires 2005
Rebecca J. McGowan	Term Expires 2006
Beverly M. Batchelder	Alternate

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Theresa M. Morse	Term Expires 2004
Andrea M. LeBlanc	Term Expires 2005
Joseph A. Simone	Term Expires 2006

HEALTH OFFICER

Robert R. Leverone	STATE APPOINTMENT	Term Expires June 17, 2006
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DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER

None	Term Expires
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POLICE CHIEF

Lawrence E. Streeter

FIRE CHIEF

William E. Ingalls

Term Expires 2005

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

David A. Baker

Term Expires 2006

FIRE WARDS

Stephen M. Cushing

Mary P. Marshall

Norman P. Harding

SURVEYOR OF WOOD AND LUMBER

None

Term Expires

FENCE VIEWER

None

Term Expires

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Kimberly J. Mears

WELFARE AGENT

Connie M. Smith

Term Expires 2004

DEPUTY WELFARE AGENT

None

Term Expires

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Michael J. DiBartolomeo

Term Expires 2004

BUILDING INSPECTOR ASSISTANTS

Donald E. Kizirian

Term Expires 2004

PLANNING BOARD (Elected RSA 673:2(b))

Mary M. Allen, Vice Chairman

Term Expires 2004

Christene A. LoVecchio

Term Expires 2004

Kip Kaiser

Term Expires 2004

Charles R. Melvin, Sr.

Term Expires 2004

Eugene F. Tolman, Resigned

Term Expires 2005

Elliott F. Estey, Jr., Chairman

Term Expires 2006

Kimberly A. Shapiro

Term Expires 2006

Nicole Kelly

Alternate I 2006

Eugene F. Tolman

Alternate II 2006

Norman P. Harding, Ex-Officio

Alternate III

Selectman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Deborah R. MacLennan	Term Expires 2004
Donna J. Cushing, Chairman (Resigned)	Term Expires 2004
Alicia Raddatz	Term Expires 2004
Michele A. Fitzgerald	Term Expires 2005
Trisha Collins McCarthy, Chairman	Term Expires 2005
Raymond L. Nicol	Term Expires 2006
Mary P. Marshall	Term Expires 2006
	Alternate 2003
Patricia G. Wonson	Alternate 2004
Stephen M. Cushing, Liaison	Selectman

RECREATION COMMISSION

Christine MacLean	Term Expires 2004
Wendy Soldani	Term Expires 2004
Rick Bailey	Term Expires 2005
Janice Amero, Co-Chairman	Term Expires 2005
Nancy J. Slombo	Term Expires 2006
Debra L. Stewart	Term Expires 2006
	Alternate 2004

FAMILY MEDIATION

Lawrence E. Streeter	Term Expires 2004
Kathleen M. Marino	Term Expires 2004

COMMISSIONERS OF ROCKINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

Charles R. Melvin, Sr.	Term Expires 2005
Christene A. LoVecchio	Term Expires 2005

SALEM-PLAISTOW-WINDHAM TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Term Expires

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

John C. Owens	Term Expires 2004
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ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Dale G. Putnam	Term Expires 2004
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ASSISTANT MODERATOR

Debra A. Taylor	Term Expires 2004
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GALE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Theresa Caswell

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Barbara J. Card, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Col. (Resigned)	Term Expires 2003
Mary Jo McCullough, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Term Expires 2004

DEPUTY TREASURER

Nancy J. Wrigley	Term Expires 2006
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BOARD OF APPEALS SECRETARY

Jeannette S. Clark

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Nancy J. Whigley

SELECTMEN'S SECRETARY/CLERK

Mary B. Winglass

TOWN BOOKKEEPER & PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR

Kimberly K. Hughes

POLICE OFFICE MANAGER

Martha A. Wyatt

POLICE SECRETARY

Linda T. Meissner

PLANNING BOARD SECRETARY

Christene A. LoVecchio

CONSERVATION COMMISSION SECRETARY

Deborah Worthington

RECREATION COMMISSION SECRETARY

Wendy Soldani

BOAT TAX COLLECTOR

Raymond D. Trayer

Term Expires 2004

CABLE TV COMMITTEE

Scott Bradstreet

Term Expires 2004

George F. Marshall

Term Expires 2004

James Makemies

Term Expires 2004

Andrew P. Morse, Chairman

Term Expires 2004

Pauline M. Morse

Term Expires 2004

Stephen Palmer

Term Expires 2004

Norman P. Harding, Liaison

Selectman

TREE WARDEN

(Appointed by Director, Div. Of Forest & Lands)

David A. Baker

GALE LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE

Jean Constantineau

Term Expires 2003

Norman A. Constantineau

Term Expires 2003

Mary Keeler Rowe

Term Expires 2003

Susan C. Babb

Term Expires 2005

Margaret W. Nally

Term Expires 2005

Stephen M. Oushing, Liaison

Selectman

MODERATOR APPOINTED

BOARD OF APPEALS WITH APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Bradley Cardoso	Term Expires 2004
Jack M. Kozec	Term Expires 2004
Alan L. French, Vice-Chairman	Term Expires 2005
Thomas R. McElroy, Chairman	Term Expires 2006
Dana B. Allison	Term Expires 2006
Kenneth A. Pelletier	Alternate 2004
	Alternate 2005

SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE

Augustine Medeiros	Term Expires 2004
Charles A. Whitman	Term Expires 2004
Kenneth A. Pelletier	Term Expires 2004
Gary R. Raddatz	Term Expires 2004
Patricia G. Wonson	Term Expires 2004
Mary P. Marshall, Liaison	Term Expires 2004

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Trisha C. McCarthy	Term Expires 2006
Michael A. Seekamp	Term Expires 2006
Nancy J. Slombo	Term Expires 2006
Patricia Gleichauf-Wonson	Term Expires 2006

TOWN STATISTICS

Population in 2003
No. of Taxable Properties
Area

As of 07/01/00 4,289
10/29/2003 1,663
9.9 Square Miles

Streets and Roads

Class I	5.1 miles
Class II	8.2 miles
Class V	27.5 miles
Class VI	.0 miles
Private	<u>.6 miles</u>
Total	41.4 miles

Sanborn Regional School District SAU #17
Dr. James H. Weiss, Superintendent

GOVERNOR

Craig Benson

Term Expires: Nov 2004

U.S. SENATORS

Judd Gregg Greenfield
John E. Sununu Salem

Term Expires: Nov 2006
Term Expires: Nov 2006

U.S CONGRESSMAN 1ST Congressional District

Jeb Bradley
CITIZEN HOTLINE: 1-800-626-7920

Term Expires: Jan 2004

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL

Ruth L. Griffin Portsmouth
(603) 271-3632

Term Expires: Jan 2004

N.H. SENATOR

Russell Prescott

Term Expires: Jan 2004

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT Rockingham County District #81

Mary M. Allen Newton
Kim Casey East Kingston
(603) 271-3661

Term Expires: Nov 2004
Term Expires: Nov 2004

DEDICATION



Robert M. Rowe
1920-2003

Robert Marshall Rowe, was a direct descendant of several of Newton's early families. His great grandfathers included Sylvester B. Rowe, who settled in Newton 150 years ago on North Main Street at the corner which bears his name; Benjamin Franklin Austin of North Main Street who was a veteran of the Civil War; and Richard Peaslee, who grew up at Shady Brook Farm at the trolley crossing and street that was named for his family.

Bob was a lifelong resident of Newton and son of the late Stacy B. and Olive (Downing) Rowe. He graduated from the Sanborn Seminary in 1938 and from the University of New Hampshire in 1942. In 1943 he married Constance A. (Stukas) of Newton and they had a son Steven, who also resides in Newton with his wife Mary.

Bob enlisted in the Army Air Corps and became a Captain during WW II. He saw action as a B-17 Bomber pilot with the 8th Air Force in Europe, participated in the D-Day Invasion and flew on the first shuttle mission from England to Russia and Italy. Bob was wounded on a mission over Germany and received the Purple Heart and four Bronze Stars, the Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Unit Badge. He was a life member of both the Disabled American Veterans and 388th Bomb Group Association.

Serving the Town of Newton and the community was very important to Bob. He was a School Board Member, the Town Auditor and a Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. He was a permanent member and past president of the Country Pond Fish & Game Club, a former middle school and little league baseball coach and a member of the Boy Scout Troop Committee. He served as the chairman of the town's 200 Anniversary Celebration in 1949. His love of history was apparent in his enthusiasm as he pursued his antique dealership. You may remember Bob as one of Newton's rural carriers for the Postal Service until he retired in 1980.

We would like to take this opportunity to remember and appreciate Bob for his many years of dedicated service to the Newton community.

BUDGET WORKSHEETS

DEPARTMENT BUDGET PLANNING WORKSHEETS

	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
BUILDING INSPECTOR				
Fees Earned:				
Building Inspector	22,150.70	28,738.01	32,500.00	10,349.30
Ass't Bldg Inspector	11,927.30	14,816.59	17,500.00	5,572.70
Office Supplies	1,200.00	388.00	700.00	(500.00)
Manuals	600.00	312.75	600.00	0.00
Postage	150.00	0.00	28.00	(122.00)
Training Seminars	2,400.00	558.20	1,200.00	(1,200.00)
TOTAL	38,428.00	44,813.55	52,528.00	14,100.00
CABLE COMMITTEE				
Administrative Expenses:				
Salary	5,200.00	3,481.01	7,500.00	2,300.00
Equipment Expenses				
Equipment/Maintenance	4,500.00	157.42	2,000.00	(2,500.00)
TOTAL	9,700.00	3,638.43	9,500.00	(200.00)
CEMETERY				
Personnel Expense:				
Salaries	7,500.00	2,704.46	7,500.00	0.00
Equipment Expenses:				
Equipment Rental	500.00	2,017.40	500.00	0.00
Expendables-Gas & Oil	100.00	64.26	100.00	0.00
Other Expenses:				
Supplies	1,000.00	258.93	1,000.00	0.00
TOTAL	9,100.00	5,045.05	9,100.00	0.00
Encumbered Funds		2,200.00		
CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
Personnel Expense:				
Secretary Salary	1,400.00	569.91	1,400.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses:				
Office Supplies	150.00	0.00	150.00	0.00
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	225.00	225.00	225.00	0.00
Training Seminars	175.00	33.00	175.00	0.00
Petty Cash/Misc.	100.00	39.11	100.00	0.00
Other Expenses:				
Consultant Fees	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
Legal Fees/Ads	225.00	328.05	225.00	0.00
Facility Expense:				
Recreation/Trail Maint.	300.00	355.40	300.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL	2,775.00	1,550.47	2,775.00	0.00
Balance Paid to Commission		1,224.53		
TOTAL	2,775.00	2,775.00	2,775.00	0.00

ELECTION, REGISTRATION, & VITAL STATISTICS	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
Personnel Expenses:				
Town Clerk Salary	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Town Clerk Fees	10,000.00	10,471.00	10,000.00	0.00
State Fees paid to Tn Clk	0.00	6,308.00	28,000.00	28,000.00
Deputy Tn Clerk Salary	9,478.00	9,821.71	9,880.00	402.00
Health/Dental Insurance	9,994.00	7,425.72	11,139.00	1,145.00
Town Clerk Expenses:				
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	500.00	1,045.30	500.00	0.00
Travel Expense	50.00	157.50	50.00	0.00
Service Contracts:				
Typewriter	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Security Alarm	50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
Telephone	2,000.00	1,695.49	2,000.00	0.00
Office Supplies	600.00	1,230.72	760.00	160.00
Petty Cash/Postage	400.00	360.92	400.00	0.00
State Dog License Fees	2,600.00	1,837.50	2,700.00	100.00
Vital Record Fees paid to State	350.00	671.00	818.00	468.00
Vital Record State Fees paid to Tn Clk	0.00	130.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Marriage License Fees paid to State	0.00	1,140.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Marriage License State Fees paid to Tn Clk	0.00	84.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Voter Registration				
Salaries	2,500.00	260.28	2,500.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses	3,000.00	217.60	3,000.00	0.00
TOTAL	43,622.00	45,006.74	76,997.00	33,375.00
EXECUTIVE				
Personnel Expenses:				
Salaries	100,316.00	94,986.06	115,094.00	14,778.00
Health Insurance	4,620.00	3,465.12	5,208.00	588.00
Administrative Expenses:				
Travel Expense	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Town Meeting Expenses	800.00	381.31	450.00	(350.00)
Town Ballots	4,000.00	3,394.89	4,000.00	0.00
Town Report & Delivery	6,000.00	5,785.75	6,000.00	0.00
Misc. General Expense	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Emergency Fund	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
TOTAL	116,836.00	108,013.13	131,852.00	15,016.00

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
Accounting				
Auditing	6,344.00	7,852.00	7,852.00	1,508.00
Assessing	39,700.00	37,395.50	67,808.00	28,108.00
Assessing Dues	20.00	20.00	20.00	0.00
TOTAL	46,064.00	45,267.50	75,680.00	29,616.00
Treasurer/Bookkeeper				
Treasurer Salary	6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00	0.00
Dep. Treasurer Salary	769.00	769.00	769.00	0.00
Payroll Services	5,000.00	3,747.74	5,000.00	0.00
Office Supplies	400.00	341.58	400.00	0.00
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	50.00	35.00	50.00	0.00
Computer Expense	600.00	443.90	480.00	(120.00)
Postage	570.00	563.88	570.00	0.00
Training Expense	150.00	33.60	100.00	(50.00)
Travel Expense	410.00	390.00	300.00	(110.00)
TOTAL	14,149.00	12,524.70	13,869.00	(280.00)
Tax Collector				
Tax Collector Salary	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00
Tax Collector Fees	4,300.00	5,158.00	4,300.00	0.00
Search Fees	1,900.00	750.00	1,700.00	(200.00)
Dep. Tax Collector Salary	8,350.00	7,254.12	8,684.00	334.00
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	1,000.00	896.30	1,000.00	0.00
Travel Expense	50.00	31.50	50.00	0.00
Service Contract: Alarm	50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,535.14	1,000.00	0.00
Recording Fees	100.00	0.00	0.00	(100.00)
Postage/Petty Cash	2,100.00	1,871.75	2,000.00	(100.00)
Computer Training	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Computer Equipment	1,000.00	2,645.97	600.00	(400.00)
TOTAL	27,350.00	27,692.78	26,884.00	(466.00)
Budgeting, Planning & Analysis				
Telephone	2,700.00	2,669.15	2,700.00	0.00
General Repairs	200.00	955.00	200.00	0.00
Equipment Purchase	3,500.00	3,349.09	7,000.00	3,500.00
Online Tax Card	0.00	0.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Service Contracts:				
Typewriters	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Copier	550.00	550.00	550.00	0.00
Security Alarm	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Office Supplies	2,500.00	1,591.87	2,500.00	0.00
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	3,000.00	3,015.68	3,000.00	0.00
Consultant Fees	1,200.00	2,188.74	1,200.00	0.00
Legal Advertising	500.00	762.69	500.00	0.00
Travel Expense	200.00	85.89	150.00	(50.00)
Petty Cash	200.00	136.39	200.00	0.00
Postage	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00

FINANCIAL	2003	YR-DATE	PROP 2004	BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION	BUDGET	EXPENSE	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Training Expense	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Recording Fees	100.00	24.37	100.00	0.00
TOTAL	15,750.00	15,628.87	20,900.00	5,150.00
Board of Appeals				
Personnel Expenses:				
Salary	1,000.00	774.12	1,000.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses:				
Office Supplies	300.00	87.57	250.00	(50.00)
Travel Expense	150.00	154.80	250.00	100.00
Training	150.00	130.00	200.00	50.00
Misc. General	100.00	79.00	100.00	0.00
Postage	300.00	324.46	300.00	0.00
Other Expenses:				
Legal/Advertising Fees	250.00	232.10	300.00	50.00
TOTAL	2,250.00	1,782.05	2,400.00	150.00
GRAND TOTAL	105,563.00	102,895.90	139,733.00	34,170.00
Encumbered Funds		899.00		
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
Personnel Expense:				
Salaries	93,000.00	89,831.66	100,000.00	7,000.00
Facility Expense				
Telephone	1,400.00	2,039.19	1,400.00	0.00
Equipment Expenses:				
Preventative Maint.	2,400.00	2,465.08	2,600.00	200.00
Radio Repairs/Supplies	2,000.00	1,995.06	2,000.00	0.00
Gasoline	2,500.00	2,127.73	2,500.00	0.00
Vehicle Repairs	5,800.00	5,043.78	5,800.00	0.00
Equipment Purchase	17,000.00	24,936.91	17,000.00	0.00
Medical Supply/Equip.	4,000.00	4,994.50	6,000.00	2,000.00
Protective Clothing	12,500.00	3,969.46	12,500.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses:				
Office Supplies	1,000.00	957.44	1,000.00	0.00
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	700.00	897.58	900.00	200.00
Training Expense	7,400.00	6,153.17	7,400.00	0.00
Forest Fires	2,000.00	1,964.00	2,000.00	0.00
Misc. General Expense	400.00	291.31	400.00	0.00
Other Expenses:				
Fire Prevention	600.00	578.93	600.00	0.00
Physicals	200.00	550.16	1,000.00	800.00
Hepatitis B & TB	800.00	712.50	800.00	0.00
START (Hazmat)	801.00	1,020.00	1,021.00	220.00
New Pumper/#4 Payment	47,792.76	0.00	47,793.00	0.24
TOTAL	202,293.76	150,528.46	212,714.00	10,420.24
Encumbered Funds		47,792.76		

GALE LIBRARY	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
Personnel Expense:				
Salaries	55,112.00	54,958.96	57,516.00	2,404.00
Facilities Expense:				
Telephone	2,200.00	2,103.98	1,800.00	(400.00)
Maintenance Repairs	400.00	704.40	300.00	(100.00)
Janitorial Services	1,300.00	1,250.00	1,300.00	0.00
Custodial Supplies	150.00	159.15	150.00	0.00
Equipment Expenses:				
Computer/Copier Supplies	1,000.00	756.55	5,350.00	4,350.00
Equipment/Maintenance	3,500.00	950.67	800.00	(2,700.00)
Furniture	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
Computer Maintenance	1,000.00	1,521.80	0.00	(1,000.00)
Administrative Expenses:				
Office Supplies	750.00	1,049.55	750.00	0.00
Travel Expense	700.00	232.50	500.00	(200.00)
Community Programs	800.00	836.07	1,000.00	200.00
Professional Advance	1,500.00	785.00	1,100.00	(400.00)
Media	17,000.00	15,109.09	17,000.00	0.00
Dues & Associations	450.00	355.00	350.00	(100.00)
Postage	125.00	194.10	200.00	75.00
General Expense	150.00	0.00	186.00	36.00
Legal Expenses	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
 SUBTOTAL	 86,587.00	 80,966.82	 88,752.00	 2,165.00
Anticipated Income	(5,000.00)		(5,000.00)	
TOTAL	81,587.00		83,752.00	2,165.00

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Personnel Expenses:				
Welfare Agent Salary	6,815.00	6,815.00	6,815.00	0.00
Deputy Agent Salary	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00
General Assistance Expenses:				
Medical	500.00	687.04	500.00	0.00
Utilities	1,000.00	1,232.61	1,200.00	200.00
Fuel	700.00	693.23	900.00	200.00
Rental or Mortgage	7,000.00	8,627.50	8,000.00	1,000.00
Contingency Fund	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses:				
Office Supplies	25.00	10.00	10.00	(15.00)
Telephone	350.00	379.33	350.00	0.00
 TOTAL	 17,690.00	 18,444.71	 19,075.00	 1,385.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Personnel Expense:				
Salaries	6,500.00	0.00	0.00	(6,500.00)
Facilities Expenses:				

	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
GENERAL GOV'T BLDGS				
Janitorial Services	3,250.00	3,275.80	3,250.00	0.00
Repairs/Supplies	2,500.00	6,800.97	5,000.00	2,500.00
Improvement	4,000.00	2,264.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)
Utilities - Electric	11,000.00	11,762.80	12,000.00	1,000.00
Oil	7,000.00	8,610.92	9,000.00	2,000.00
Dumpsters	1,000.00	931.33	1,100.00	100.00
Grounds Maint.-Summer	2,000.00	2,700.00	2,400.00	400.00
Grounds Maint.-Winter	1,000.00	1,429.00	1,200.00	200.00
Equipment Expenses:				
Expendables	500.00	816.85	850.00	350.00
Equipment Purchase	1,000.00	637.62	750.00	(250.00)
Paper Goods	150.00	92.79	0.00	(150.00)
TOTAL	39,900.00	39,322.08	37,550.00	(2,350.00)
HEALTH OFFICER				
Personnel Expenses:				
Salary (Fees Only)	13,428.00	10,915.00	15,000.00	1,572.00
West Nile Virus	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
TOTAL	13,428.00	10,915.00	30,000.00	16,572.00
HIGHWAY - SUMMER				
Personnel Expense:				
Salaries	20,000.00	26,780.46	29,620.00	9,620.00
Seminars	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Improvements:				
-	7,000.00	4,213.80	10,000.00	3,000.00
ColdPatch/Sand/Gravel/Stone				
-Hot Top	59,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	(9,000.00)
-General Supplies	1,000.00	610.75	1,000.00	0.00
-Leaves & Mowing	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00
Equipment Expense:				
Equipment Rental	43,000.00	26,629.88	64,000.00	21,000.00
Equipment Purchase	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Street Signs	450.00	2,395.01	1,200.00	750.00
GRAND TOTAL	131,650.00	60,629.90	157,120.00	25,470.00
Encumbered Funds		32,350.00		
Hwy Block Grant	73,817.23		74,257.07	
HIGHWAY - WINTER				
Personnel Expense:				
Salaries	8,000.00	7,654.68	14,500.00	6,500.00
Equipment Expenses:				
Expendables-Salt/Sand	11,000.00	19,021.21	17,000.00	6,000.00
Equipment Rental	92,000.00	110,785.19	110,000.00	18,000.00
General Supplies	0.00	260.00	800.00	800.00
TOTAL	111,000.00	137,721.08	142,300.00	31,300.00

	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
PLANNING BOARD				
Personnel Expense:				
Salary	12,000.00	13,748.30	16,000.00	4,000.00
Facilities Expense:				
Telephone	800.00	1,206.77	800.00	0.00
Security Alarm	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Equipment Expense:				
Equip. Purchase/Repair	500.00	225.00	500.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses:				
Office Supplies	500.00	577.51	500.00	0.00
Travel Expense	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
Dues/Seminars/Subscrip.	3,750.00	3,879.60	3,750.00	0.00
Postage	775.00	1,385.00	700.00	(75.00)
Recording Fees	100.00	286.00	0.00	(100.00)
Misc. General Expense	250.00	0.00	100.00	(150.00)
Petty Cash	100.00	100.00	250.00	150.00
Other Expenses:				
Consultant Fees	1,000.00	0.00	500.00	(500.00)
Legal Fees	9,800.00	2,556.43	4,000.00	(5,800.00)
Advertising	225.00	1,431.44	500.00	275.00
Training Expenses	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Circuit Rider	5,800.00	5,400.00	6,000.00	200.00
Master Plan/CIP	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
 TOTAL	 36,500.00	 30,896.05	 34,500.00	 (2,000.00)
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
Personnel Expenses:				
Salaries: Chief	56,000.00	55,999.84	58,500.00	2,500.00
Full Time Officers	149,346.00	124,052.83	147,249.00	(2,097.00)
Part Time Officers	15,000.00	25,142.75	33,860.00	18,860.00
Administrative	49,153.00	48,778.58	53,962.00	4,809.00
Overtime	5,000.00	10,397.83	10,000.00	5,000.00
IMC Maintenance Exp.	4,380.00	4,380.00	4,500.00	120.00
Regional Prosecutor	6,000.00	6,066.64	11,570.00	5,570.00
Court Time	0.00	0.00	4,400.00	4,400.00
Health Insurance	51,372.00	39,589.71	71,880.00	20,508.00
Dental Insurance	2,486.00	2,971.68	5,965.00	3,479.00
Facilities Expenses:				
Telephone	4,500.00	6,481.50	6,200.00	1,700.00
Other	500.00	630.87	850.00	350.00
Equipment Expenses:				0.00
Ammunition	1,200.00	871.80	1,200.00	0.00
Cruiser Maintenance	7,000.00	11,190.62	12,100.00	5,100.00
Equipment Supplies	2,000.00	2,410.27	2,000.00	0.00
Gasoline	9,000.00	8,961.91	9,200.00	200.00
Radio/Radar Maintenance	1,500.00	2,610.74	1,500.00	0.00
Uniform Allowance	4,300.00	2,525.31	3,000.00	(1,300.00)

	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
Administrative Expenses:				
Travel Expense	200.00	280.13	350.00	150.00
Office Supplies	3,000.00	5,118.58	4,800.00	1,800.00
Recruiting Expense	570.00	795.53	500.00	(70.00)
Subscriptions & Dues	2,000.00	1,863.54	2,000.00	0.00
Training	2,000.00	2,510.70	2,300.00	300.00
Petty Cash	600.00	588.40	600.00	0.00
Hepatitis B	450.00	0.00	450.00	0.00
Animal Control Expenses	9,800.00	10,067.16	10,112.00	312.00
TOTAL	387,357.00	374,286.92	459,048.00	71,691.00
Encumbered Funds		6,295.00		
RECREATION COMMISSION				
GREENIE PARK				
Utilities	500.00	655.83	725.00	225.00
Grounds Maintenance	3,650.00	3,755.00	3,650.00	0.00
Supplies	1,000.00	510.00	1,000.00	0.00
Chemical Toilet	2,000.00	983.00	2,000.00	0.00
Dumpster	540.00	907.92	870.00	330.00
TOTAL	7,690.00	6,811.75	8,245.00	555.00
TOWN BEACH				
Advertising	180.00	0.00	75.00	(105.00)
Grounds Maintenance	350.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
Water Test	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.00
Supplies	1,500.00	524.18	1,500.00	0.00
Chemical Toilet	1,080.00	1,233.72	1,080.00	0.00
Dumpster	200.00	336.20	324.00	124.00
TOTAL	3,350.00	2,484.10	3,369.00	19.00
SALARIES				
Beach Salary	15,000.00	14,446.40	15,000.00	0.00
Secretary Salary	1,000.00	720.07	1,000.00	0.00
TOTAL	16,000.00	15,166.47	16,000.00	0.00
PROGRAMS				
Summer Program	1,439.00	890.00	1,439.00	0.00
Vacation Weeks	443.00	595.00	443.00	0.00
Trails	65.00	0.00	65.00	0.00
Family Fair	1,200.00	1,248.55	1,300.00	100.00
Halloween Party	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
Bus Trips	200.00	0.00	275.00	75.00
TOTAL	3,647.00	3,033.55	3,822.00	175.00
OFFICE EXPENSES				
Equipment & Supplies	100.00	153.38	100.00	0.00
Advertising	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Postage	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00
TOTAL	225.00	253.38	225.00	0.00
GRAND TOTAL	30,912.00	27,749.25	31,661.00	749.00

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	2003 BUDGET	YR-DATE EXPENSE	PROP 2004 BUDGET	BUDGET VARIANCE
Personnel Expenses:				
Salaries	45,000.00	46,737.75	54,080.00	9,080.00
Facilities Expenses:				
Repairs	1,000.00	135.24	1,000.00	0.00
NRRRA Dues	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
Telephone	700.00	638.18	700.00	0.00
Chemical Toilet Rental	936.00	936.00	936.00	0.00
Compactor & Box Rental	8,000.00	7,400.76	12,180.00	4,180.00
Disposal	210,000.00	194,602.66	197,000.00	(13,000.00)
Hauling	99,750.00	94,913.36	35,000.00	(64,750.00)
Tire Removal	1,100.00	1,127.00	500.00	(600.00)
Recycling	7,000.00	3,297.51	7,000.00	0.00
Hazardous Waste	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00
Site Monitoring	8,564.00	5,432.78	16,023.00	7,459.00
Misc. Expense	0.00	1,812.67	0.00	0.00
Resident Stickers	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Equipment Expenses:				
Equip.Rental/Maintenance	1,500.00	368.25	1,000.00	(500.00)
Equipment Purchase	3,000.00	1,370.34	2,000.00	(1,000.00)
Administrative Expenses:				
Petty Cash	200.00	100.00	200.00	0.00
Training Expense	400.00	395.00	400.00	0.00
 TOTAL	 388,600.00	 359,517.50	 329,969.00	 (58,631.00)
Encumbered Funds		12,000.00		

VALUATION - INVENTORY

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 2003

Land - Improved and Unimproved	\$ 80,449,019.00
Buildings	156,448,300.00
Gas Pipe Line	11,203,900.00
Electric Lines & Poles	2,214,000.00

TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$ 250,315,219.00
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Blind Exemptions (5)	75,000.00
Elderly Exemptions (25)	395,000.00
Certain Disabled Veteran (1)	227,100.00
Physically Handicapped Exemption (2)	4,400.00

NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$ 249,613,719.00
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Amount of Taxes Exempted to Blind	2,186.00
Amount of Taxes Exempted to Elderly	11,514.00
Amount of Taxes Exempted to Physically Handicapped	128.00
Amount of War Service Tax Credit	18,100.00

Number of Inventories Distributed	Abolished
Number of Inventories Properly Completed & Filed	in 1993

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION TAXES ASSESSED FOR 2003 AND TAX RATE

Executive	\$ 116,836.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	43,622.00
Financial Administration	105,563.00
Legal Expenses	25,000.00
Personnel Admin. (FICA, Retirement & Unemployment)	71,400.00
Planning and Zoning	36,500.00
General Government Buildings	39,900.00
Cemeteries	9,100.00
Insurance	60,390.00
Police Department	387,357.00
Ambulance	27,000.00
Fire Department	202,294.00
Building Inspector & Other Inspections	38,428.00
Emergency Management	1,200.00
Police Services	30,000.00
Highways & Streets	242,650.00
Street Lighting	10,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal	388,600.00
Health Officer, Fees	13,428.00
General Assistance	17,690.00
A Safe Place	1,000.00

Area Homemaker Home Health Aide	3,800.00
Lamprey Health Care	1,000.00
Rockingham County Community Action Program	5,702.00
RVNA-Hospice	5,678.00
Seacare Health Services	2,000.00
Vic Geary Center	2,000.00

Recreation	30,912.00
Library	81,587.00
Cable NCAT-20	9,700.00
Care of Trees	3,000.00
Conservation Commission	2,775.00
Interest Expenses - Tax Anticipation Notes	2,500.00

Digital Radio - Police Department	4,722.00
Education Incentive Program-Police Department	3,100.00
Difibrillators-Fire Department	9,800.00
West Nile Virus	15,000.00
Sprinkler System-Planning Specifications for Town Hall	3,000.00
Drugs Are Dangerous	2,000.00
Family Mediation	5,479.00
N.H.S.P.C.A.	550.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 2,062,263.00

LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS

Land Use Change Tax	\$ 36,375.00
Yield Taxes	4,472.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	55,348.00
Excavation Tax	36.00
Business Licenses, & Permits	59,700.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	612,427.00
Building Permits & Other Inspections	38,428.00
Boat Permit Taxes & Other Fees	4,250.00
Cops Universal Hiring Program	6,870.00
Shared Revenue	24,302.00
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	132,457.00
Highway Block Grant	73,817.00
Road Toll Refund & Railroad Tax	4,139.00
Income From Departments	2,200.00
Other Charges Bad Check Penalties, Health/Dental 25% Reimbursement	400.00
Interest on Deposits	15,000.00
Cable TV Franchise Fees, Refunds, Forest Fires	48,700.00
Interest From Trust Funds-Cemetery	2,500.00
Fund Balance (To Reduce Taxes)	167,500.00
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$ 1,288,921.00

Town Appropriations	\$ 803,549.00
School Appropriations	4,557,737.00
State Education Taxes	1,434,454.00
County Taxes	399,054.00

TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED	\$ 7,194,794.00
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Deduct: War Service Credits	18,100.00
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TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT	\$ 7,176,694.00
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Approved by Department of Revenue Administration

2003 Tax Rate - \$29.15 per \$1,000.00

2003 Sales Ratio - 59.2.7%

Municipal	\$ 3.22
County	1.60
School (State)	6.07
School (Local)	<u>18.26</u>
Total	\$ 29.15

State Education Adequacy Grant \$1,972,343.00

BALANCE SHEET

General Fund Only - December 31, 2003

ASSETS:

Cash and Investments	\$	2,013,840.02
Cemetery Wall Restitution Cash Balance		402.02
Cash on hand		91.10

Road Bond Accounts:

Day - Laura Lane	12,118.88	
Day Subdivision - Reclamation Bond	3,090.22	
Homes By George & Sons - George's Way	38,259.93	
Woodsom - Grebenstein Drive	47,219.14	
J.H. Chase - Peaslee Hill Estates	5,045.59	
National Tower - Removal Bond	6,022.13	
Country Pond Fish & Game - Reclamation Bond	10,039.27	
Kolias - Sunset Ridge	47,701.26	
EML Builders - George's Way/Brenner Drive	248,989.67	
Professional Review Escrow Acct.	22,526.51	
Total Cash and Investments		\$ 2,455,345.74

Accounts Receivable:

Uncollected Taxes-2003 Property	305,131.63	
Uncollected Taxes-2002 Property	264.00	
Uncollected Taxes - 2001 Land Use	1,361.10	
Unredeemed Taxes, net of \$12,000	49,417.48	
Liens for Elderly, Welfare and Property, net of \$20,497	-	
Due from Library Fund	1,965.63	
Due from other Governments	23,586.22	
Total Accounts Receivable		381,726.06
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 2,837,071.80

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:

LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable	\$	17,085.56
Accrued Expenses		3,527.96
Performance Deposits		441,012.60
Deferred Revenue		1,573.73
Due to Harris Trust Funds		3.85
Due to Conservation Commission		2,159.73
Due to School District		1,558,890.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	2,024,253.43

FUND BALANCES:

Reserved for Encumbrances	53,744.00
Designated for Carryforward Approp.	100,792.76
Undesignated Fund Balance	658,281.61

TOTAL FUND BALANCES 812,818.37

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES 2,837,071.80

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT						
			UNEXPENDED			
TITLE OF APPROPRIATION	APPROPRIATION	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE	OVERDRAFT	2003 CARRY-OVER	CREDITS
Executive	116,836.00	108,013.13	8,822.87	-	-	1,154.92
Election & Registration	43,622.00	45,006.74	-	1,384.74	-	2,489.46
Financial Administration	105,563.00	102,895.90	2,667.10	-	899.00	3,699.24
Legal Expense	25,000.00	89,016.04	-	64,016.04	-	-
Personnel Administration	71,400.00	63,157.66	8,242.34	-	-	-
Planning Board	36,500.00	30,896.05	5,603.95	-	-	11,866.00
General Government Bldgs.	39,900.00	39,322.08	577.92	-	-	-
Cemeteries	9,100.00	5,045.05	4,054.95	-	2,200.00	2,007.61
Insurance	60,390.00	62,130.77	-	1,740.77	-	12,307.69
Police Department	387,357.00	374,286.92	13,070.08	-	6,295.00	16,246.52
Ambulance	27,000.00	27,000.00	-	-	-	-
Fire Department & For. Fires	202,294.00	150,528.46	51,765.30	-	47,792.76	3,841.66
Building Inspector/Other Insp.	38,428.00	44,813.55	-	6,385.55	-	49,430.40
Emergency Management	1,200.00	1,110.00	90.00	-	-	-
Police Services	30,000.00	42,468.92	-	12,468.92	-	42,468.92
Highways and Streets	242,650.00	198,350.98	44,299.02	-	32,350.00	73,817.23
Street Lighting	10,000.00	15,744.72	-	5,744.72	-	-
Solid Waste Disposal	388,600.00	359,517.50	29,082.50	-	12,000.00	280.99
Health Officer	13,428.00	10,915.00	2,513.00	-	-	9,665.00
General Assistance	17,690.00	18,444.71	-	754.71	-	735.00
Recreation	30,912.00	27,749.25	3,162.75	-	-	-
Gale Library	81,587.00	81,587.00	-	-	-	-
Cable NCAT - 20	9,700.00	3,638.43	6,061.57	-	-	80.00
Care of Trees	3,000.00	2,545.00	455.00	-	-	-
Conservation Commission	2,775.00	2,775.00	-	-	-	-
Tax Anti. Notes Interest	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	-	-	-

Comparative - 2003				UNEXPENDED		2003	
TITLE OF APPROPRIATION	APPROPRIATION	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE	OVERDRAFT	CARRY-OVER	CREDITS	
A Safe Place	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	
Area Homemaker Health Aide	3,800.00	3,800.00	-	-	-	-	
D.A.D. Inc. #26	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	-	-	
Family Mediation #24	5,479.00	5,479.00	-	-	-	-	
Lamprey Health Care	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	-	-	-	
NHSPCA #27	550.00	550.00	-	-	-	-	
Rockingham County C.A.P.	5,702.00	5,702.00	-	-	-	-	
RVN-Hospice	5,678.00	5,678.00	-	-	-	-	
SeaCare Health Services	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	-	-	
Vic Geary Center	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	-	-	
Sprinkler System-Planning #7	3,000.00	-	3,000.00	-	-	-	
Digital Radio - Police Dept. #13	4,722.00	-	4,722.00	-	-	-	
Education Incentive Program-PD	3,100.00	2,854.97	245.03	-	-	-	
Difibrillators - Fire Dept. #17	9,800.00	9,800.00	-	-	-	-	
West Nile Virus #18	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS	2,062,263.00	1,963,822.83	190,935.38	92,495.45	101,536.76	230,090.64	

TOWN PROPERTY SCHEDULE

Town Buildings and Land

Description	Acre	Map	Ratio 59.2% Assessment
Recreation Area, L/B, Heath St.	30.60 A	004-05-001	155,900.00
Town Beach, Land, Wenmarks Grove	9.94 A	005-07-001	93,300.00
Police Station, L/B, Amesbury Road	1.89 A	010-07-015	155,300.00
Historical Museum, Wallace St.			
L/B 03/14/00 Town Mtg. Art. #12	5.20 A	011-06-018	123,100.00
Gale Library, L/B, South Main St.	.48 A	011-07-008	191,900.00
Peanut Trail, R.O.W.	6.50 A	011-07-060	17,900.00
Town Hall, L/B, Town Hall Road	.66 A	011-08-002	309,900.00
Fire Department, L/B South Main St.	.86 A	012-01-011	200,700.00
Peanut Trail, R.O.W.	8.50 A	012-01-013	23,500.00
Transfer Station, Dugway Road	16.80 A	016-01-002	93,600.00

FIRE PONDS

Fire Pond, 2 Keezer Lane	.57 A	003-01-004-7	8,200.00
Fire Pond, 13 Crane Crossing Road	1.00 A	006-09-010	12,000.00
Fire Well, Tanglewood Drive	.75 A	006-09-011	10,000.00
Fire Pond, 11A Whittier Street	.15 A	006-09-036-1	4,900.00
Fire Pond, 49 Smith Corner Road	2.39 A	008-02-017-A	13,300.00
Fire Pond & Road, Durgin Drive	.93 A	010-06-004	11,400.00
Fire Pond, Dugway Road	.77 A	016-05-005	10,200.00

EASEMENTS

Fire Pond Easement, 82 No. Main St.	010-01-012
Fire Pond Easement, 1 Goulds Hill Rd.	011-07-032

CEMETERIES

Highland Street,	4.28 A	005-04-023	5,900.00
Willow Grove, Whittier Street	1.70 A	006-13-001	5,100.00
Quaker Grove, Baker Street	.25 A	007-06-007	2,500.00
Pond Street,	.06 A	010-02-002	1,400.00
Town Hall, Town Hall Road	1.00 A	011-07-001	4,800.00
Farmer's, Dugway Road	.30 A	016-05-001	2,600.00

LAND AND BUILDINGS ACQUIRED THROUGH TAX COLLECTOR'S DEED

Off New Boston Road,	3.50 A	003-02-009	5,300.00
Willard Paul Land, Off New Boston Road, Wetland,	7.00 A	003-02-010	5,100.00
Pond Street, Land	.16 A	004-02-005	2,100.00
Heath Street, Backland	14.50 A	004-06-005	40,500.00
Off Bartlett Street, Land	15.00 A	005-01-006	32,400.00
Shaw Land, Country Pond Road,	2.70 A	006-01-005	29,000.00

**LAND AND BUILDINGS ACQUIRED
THROUGH TAX COLLECTOR'S DEED**

Off Country Pond Road, Backland	4.31 A	006-02-002-1	12,900.00
Country Pond Road, Land	5.30 A	006-02-003	15,400.00
Country Pond Road, Backland	1.60 A	006-03-001	4,800.00
Country Pond Road, Land	1.40 A	006-03-002	4,200.00
1 West Main Street,	.09 A	006-04-001	4,000.00
Sonning Development, 3 Smith Corner Road, Land	1.07 A	007-03-024	24,200.00
21 Crane Crossing Road	.16 A	007-07-001	3,100.00
E/S B&M Railroad, Wetland	9.70 A	008-02-001	27,600.00
Elmer Larson Land, Smith Corner Road, Backland	12.60 A	008-02-008	35,500.00
Hall Land, Off Crane Crossing Road	5.00 A	008-02-018	15,000.00
Owner Unknown, Off Smith Corner Road	18.00 A	008-02-019	85,900.00
Stanley James Land, Maple Ave.	13.00 A	010-07-005-1	36,700.00
Addie Wallace Heirs, 38 Highland St.	.95 A	011-05-003	34,800.00
Willard Paul Land, Bancroft Rd.	6.00 A	011-07-054	17,400.00
Bozek Land, Hadley Road	.28 A	012-05-007	19,200.00
Dugway Road, Land	2.30 A	016-01-003	40,300.00

RIGHT OF WAYS

Wilder's Grove Road R.O.W.	.03 A	002-03-008-A	1,100.00
Wilder's Grove Road R.O.W.	.05 A	002-03-009-A	1,300.00
Wilder's Grove Road R.O.W.	.02 A	002-04-003-A	5,400.00
Wilder's Grove Road R.O.W.	.03 A	002-04-004-A	5,700.00

CONSERVATION LAND

Stronach Land, 30 Bartlett Street	20.00 A	005-01-002	50,200.00
Guscora Land, Thornell Road			
Bkld 04/08/97 Town Mtg. Art. #23	6.50 A	006-08-005	18,900.00
Robert & Frank McCourt,			
Currierville Road	28.64 A	009-05-001	90,900.00
Busch Property, 91 North Main St.			
L/O 03/10/98 Town Mtg. Art. #23	47.13 A	010-10-002-3	108,400.00
Roy Land, Off South Main Street (Cedar Swamp)	16.00 A	011-05-025	37,300.00
Town Hall Road,			
L/O 04/08/97 Town Mtg. Art. #23	4.55 A	011-07-017	47,000.00
Town Hall Road,			
L/O 04/08/97 Town Mtg. Art. #23	4.31 A	011-07-017-1	46,300.00
Pilgrim Homes Land, Bear Hill Rd.			
L/O 04/08/97 Town Mtg. Art. #23	10.66 A	011-07-041	63,900.00
Hadley Road, TOWN FOREST,			
L/O 03/09/94 Town Mtg. Art. #40	13.16 A	012-04-017	49,900.00
Hadley Road/Merrimac Line			
L/O 03/09/94 Town Mtg. Art. #40	9.48 A	012-04-018	42,300.00
Amesbury Road, Backland	20.50 A	016-04-015	56,000.00

TOTAL \$2,577,400.00

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETING – 2003

Deliberative Session - February 1, 2003

Sanborn Regional Middle School
10:00 a.m.

Moderator Robert Dezmelyk opened the meeting at 10 a.m. Mr. Dezmelyk announced that the space shuttle destructed upon reentry and asked for a moment of silence.

Mr. Dezmelyk introduced the officials which included the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Supervisors of the Checklist, Town Clerk and Assistant Moderator.

After the introductions, Horace Williams was honored for his 57 years of service with the Fire Department. Chief William Ingalls spoke first as the representative of the department, and presented Mr. Williams with an engraved clock plaque. Mrs. Arlene Williams was given a bouquet of flowers. Mr. Williams was then honored by the town with a citation and was also given a citation from Mary Allen, Newton State Representative, signed by the House leader. Horace then led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Dezmelyk read the warrant posted of scheduled meetings. Mr. Dezmelyk then read the procedures and stated that the Deliberative Session is held to discuss and amend warrant articles. All articles must appear on the ballot the second session of the meeting to be held on Tuesday March 11, 2003, polls to open at 8:00 a.m and close at 8:00 p.m., at the Memorial School in Newton. He announced that residents will sit in designated seating and stated that they are allowed to speak but not to vote. All votes at this meeting will be by voter card. All speakers must use the microphone and all questions are to be directed to the Moderator. He asked that all lengthy amendments be in writing. If there are no amendments, no action will be taken, and the article will appear on the ballot as written. General instructions on amendments were given. The default budget cannot be amended because by law there are certain obligations. Special warrant articles cannot be added to the default budget for the ensuing year. At this point, Mr. Dezmelyk asked for a motion to accept the 2002 minutes and reports as written. Moved and seconded, motion carried unanimously. Mr. Dezmelyk stated to the body that zoning questions had been condensed for the ballot and by law cannot be amended. He then asked if anyone had any questions regarding the zoning article numbers 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. Being no question, Mr. Dezmelyk moved to question 7.

2.Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _1_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT

To adopt a **Residential Open Space Development Ordinance** to allow for alternative housing design while preserving large tracts of open space. (This change will potentially affect all people wishing to buy, develop, or use land within the Town of Newton.)

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _2_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT

To adopt a Shoreland Protection District Ordinance to provide protection of critical shorelands and associated buffers in Newton. (This change will potentially affect all people wishing to buy, develop, or use land within those areas to be designated shoreland protection district.)

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _3_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT

To amend Section VIV (Senior Citizen Residential Zone) of the Newton Zoning Ordinance with a new Elderly Housing Ordinance to provide alternative housing for elderly citizens in the Town of Newton. (This amendment also changes the Senior Citizen Residential Zone to Residential A Zone on the Newton Zoning Map and establishes an overlay zone for this use elderly housing.)

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _4_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT

To replace Section III, Home Occupations, of the Newton Zoning Ordinance with new language governing this use. (This amendment will potentially affect anyone wishing to create a new home occupation use in Newton.)

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _5_** as proposed by the Planning Board in the Town of Newton to add subsection 10 to Section XVIII of the Newton Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS

"With the exception of automotive fueling stations there shall be no storage of bulk fuels for commercial sale within the Town of Newton". (This amendment will potentially affect anyone wishing to develop land for commercial use in Newton.)

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

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7. "Shall the Town of Newton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$1,997,432.00?

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Should this article above be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$1,997,431.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Newton or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only."

Moved and seconded, Article 7 will appear on ballot as written.

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8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$3,000.00 to assist in the **development of performance specifications for the planning and installation of automatic fire sprinklers in the Newton Town Hall**. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the work is completed or by December 31, 2006, whichever is sooner.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 8 will appear on ballot as written.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$25,000.00 to be placed in the **"Town Hall SPRINKLER FUND"** Capital Reserve Fund established in 1997 for the fire sprinkler system.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 9 will appear on ballot as written.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board, the sum not to exceed \$7,800.00 for the position of a **PART-TIME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**. All fines and fees shall be returned to the town.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 10 will appear on ballot as written.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed \$16,113.00, to provide a 2½ percent cost of living increase for non-elected town employees.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 11 will appear on ballot as written.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Gale Library Board of Trustees, the sum of \$40,000.00 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund called "The Gale Library Building Fund".

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 12 will appear on the ballot as written.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the NH Department of Transportation (NH DOT) in compliance with the "Memorandum of Understanding", and to participate in a 80% Federal/10% State/10% Town Grant, whereby the Town will be required within a 9 year period to accept ownership of the Pond Street Railroad Bridge and provide our 10% match of approximately \$90,000.

Moved and seconded, Article 13 will appear on the ballot as written.

14. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Newton Police Department, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,722.00 to purchase a new, fully-equipped, digital radio for the Police Station.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 14 will appear on the ballot as written.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Newton Police Department, the sum of \$21,120.00 to purchase a new, fully-equipped Police Cruiser.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 15 will appear on the ballot as written.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Newton Police Department, the sum of \$3,100.00, for pay increases under the "Education Incentive Program", in the following amounts: 2½ percent for an Associate Degree, 5 percent for a Bachelor's Degree, and 7½ percent for a Master's Degree, "subject to the discretion of the Chief that it be in a related field to the work being performed" for all hourly-paid Police Officers.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Kenneth Pelletier offered an amendment to read after bachelors degree, 7 ½% for a "Masters Degree at the discretion of Chief, that will be in a related field to the work being performed". Amendment passed, moved and seconded, Article 16 will appear on ballot as amended.

17. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Fire Chief, to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Fire Station Building Fund" for the purpose of engineering and building a new Fire Station and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 for that purpose and to name the Board of Selectmen as Agents.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Moved and seconded, Article 17 will appear on ballot as written.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Fire Chief, the sum of \$9,800.00 to purchase 4 Automatic External Defibrillators.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE
Moved and seconded, Article 18 will appear on ballot as written.

Recessed for lunch at 12:04 p.m. Meeting reconvened 12:43 p.m.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$15,000.00 to continue the mosquito control program, in an effort to protect the Town of Newton from the West Nile Virus.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE
Moved and seconded, Article 19 will appear on ballot as written.

20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict revenues from fees collected by the transfer station and recycling to expenditures for the purpose of solid waste disposal. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Transfer Station/Recycling Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue.

Moved and seconded, Article 20 will appear on ballot as written.

21. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Solid Waste Task Force, to authorize the establishment and implementation of a mandatory "Pay-As-You-Throw" system with the revenue generated to be used to offset the cost of solid waste disposal and reduce the tax rate accordingly; and to adopt the provision of RSA 41:9-a, establishment of fees.

Moved and seconded, Article 21 will appear on ballot as written.

22. To see if the Town will vote for the 2006 State Mandated Property Assessment Certification, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, to create a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Property Certification Fund", and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 for this purpose.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE
Moved and seconded, Article 22 will appear on ballot as written.

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,180.00 for the following Community Services:

A SAFE PLACE	\$ 1,000.00
AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES	3,800.00
LAMPREY HEALTH CARE	1,000.00
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION	5,702.00
RVNA-HOSPICE	5,678.00
SEACARE HEALTH SERVICES	2,000.00
VIC GEARY CENTER	2,000.00
	<u>\$21,180.00</u>

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE
Moved and seconded, Article 23 will appear on ballot as written.

24. To see if the Town will vote to continue plowing snow on the following private roads: Deluxe Avenue, Shirley Avenue, First Street, Ray Avenue, Edward Avenue, Wenmarks Road (past the beach) and Rights-of-Way in Marcoux Grove.

Moved and seconded, Article 24 will appear on ballot as written.

25. On a petition of 25 or more registered voters and the Family Mediation Group, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,479.00 for the purpose of **continued funding for Family Mediation & Juvenile Services** of Southern Rockingham County. The agency is a non-profit organization, and will continue to provide the following services: Parent-Child Mediation, Peer Mediation, Community Service, Restitution, Youth and Parent participation in Anger-Management Courses, Youth and Parent participation in Substance Abuse Awareness Courses, Stop Shoplifting Courses, Tobacco Education, and individually-tailored juvenile diversion contracts. Family Mediation & Juvenile Services of Southern Rockingham County is pleased to be celebrating its 20th anniversary this year! The Town of Newton has supported us since 1983.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE
Moved and seconded, Article 25 will appear on ballot as written.

26. To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural and historic resources and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.

Moved and seconded, Article 26 will appear on ballot as written.

27. On a petition of 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the **continued support of D.A.D. Inc. (Drugs Are Dangerous)**. This is an existing non-profit organization, made up of Newton and Kingston residents, that has been funded by both Newton and Kingston for the past fourteen years. They have provided FREE, drug and alcohol free activities, such as: roller skating parties, mini golf, bingo and the annual Natural High Party at Camp Lincoln for students and families of the Sanborn Regional School District. They have also provided assistance to the schools for Red Ribbon Week, Project Safeguard, Project Stand By Me and other Anti-Drug Programs. They also have provided on going parent education classes.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE
Moved and seconded, Article 27 will appear on ballot as written. Selectmen originally did not recommend, voted to recommend.

28. On a petition of 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550.00 "for the continued funding" for the services provided by the **New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (N.H.S.P.C.A.)**.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

It was recommended to insert after \$550.00 "for the continued funding". Moved and seconded, Article 28 will appear as amended. Selectmen originally did not recommend this article and voted to recommend.

29. On a petition of 25 or more registered voters, to see if the Town will vote to **prohibit motorized vehicles** from the section of the abandoned railroad right of way known as the "Peanut Trail" between Whittier Street and South Main Street.

Moved and seconded, Article 29 will appear on ballot as written.

30. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, to rescind the March 9, 1999 vote on Article 18 and direct the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and execute a settlement in the matter of Raymond Nicol & Michele Fitzgerald V. Town of Newton regarding the abandoned railroad right of way known as the "Peanut Trail". This settlement may include the sale of the section of the "Peanut Trail" which runs through and along the Nicol Farm property, the conveyance of adjacent parcels of Town owned tax deeded property, and/or monetary payment to the Nicol Farm Partnership.

Moved and seconded, Article 30 will appear on ballot as written.

NUMBER REGISTERED VOTERS	2573
NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST	1326
PERCENTAGE OF VOTER TURNOUT	52%

A true copy attest,

Raymond D. Thayer, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 11, 2003

1. BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Norman P. Harding	699	X
Charles R. Melvin, Sr.	496	

TOWN TREASURER

Elizabeth Standing	1061	X
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TRUSTEE OF GALE LIBRARY

Rebecca McGowan	1027	X
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PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

Kip Kaiser	10	X	(WRITE INS)
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CEMETERY TRUSTEE 3 YRS.

Raymond Thayer	1105	X
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TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Raymond Thayer	1214	X
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TOWN MODERATOR

Robert Dezmelyk	991	X
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PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

ELECT TWO

Elliot Estey, Jr.	736	X
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Kimberly Shapiro	769	X
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TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Joseph Simone	16	X	(WRITE INS)
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CEMETERY TRUSTEE 1YR.

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THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 744

NO 534

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _2_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To adopt a Shoreland Protection District Ordinance to provide protection of critical shorelands and associated buffers in Newton. (This change will potentially affect all people wishing to buy, develop, or use land within those areas to be designated shoreland protection district.)

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 898

NO 371

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _3_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

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THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 899

NO 358

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _4_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

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THE PLANNING BOARD DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 614

NO 582

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _5_** as proposed by the Planning Board in the Town of Newton to add subsection 10 to Section XVIII of the Newton Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

"With the exception of automotive fueling stations there shall be no storage of bulk fuels for commercial sale within the Town of Newton". (This amendment will potentially affect anyone wishing to develop land for commercial use in Newton.)

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YES 804

NO 455

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Should this article above be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$1,997,431.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Newton or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only."

YES 787

NO 474

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$3,000.00 to assist in the development of performance specifications for the planning and installation of automatic fire sprinklers in the Newton Town Hall. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the work is completed or by December 31, 2006, whichever is sooner.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 744

NO 522

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$25,000.00 to be placed in the "Town Hall SPRINKLER FUND" Capital Reserve Fund established in 1997 for the fire sprinkler system.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 623

NO 634

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board, the sum not to exceed \$7,800.00 for the position of a PART-TIME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. All fines and fees shall be returned to the town.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 478

NO 790

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed \$16,113.00, to provide a 2½ percent cost of living increase for non-elected town employees.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 626

NO 639

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Gale Library Board of Trustees, the sum of \$40,000.00 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund called "The Gale Library Building Fund".

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 419

NO 855

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the NH Department of Transportation (NH DOT) in compliance with the "Memorandum of Understanding", and to participate in a 80% Federal/10% State/10% Town Grant, whereby the Town will be required within a 9 year period to accept ownership of the Pond Street Railroad Bridge and provide our 10% match of approximately \$90,000.

YES 431

NO 806

14. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Newton Police Department, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,722.00 to purchase a new, fully-equipped, digital radio for the Police Station.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 743

NO 537

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Newton Police Department, the sum of \$21,120.00 to purchase a new, fully-equipped Police Cruiser.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 519

NO 752

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Newton Police Department, the sum of \$3,100.00, for pay increases under the "Education Incentive Program", in the following amounts: 2½ percent for an Associate Degree, 5 percent for a Bachelor's Degree, and 7½ percent for a Master's Degree, "subject to the discretion of the Chief that it be in a related field to the work being performed" for all hourly-paid Police Officers.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 717

NO 570

17. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Fire Chief, to establish a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Fire Station Building Fund" for the purpose of engineering and building a new Fire Station and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 for that purpose and to name the Board of Selectmen as Agents.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 496

NO 787

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Fire Chief, the sum of \$9,800.00 to purchase 4 Automatic External Defibrillators.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 956

NO 348

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$15,000.00 to continue the mosquito control program, in an effort to protect the Town of Newton from the West Nile Virus.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 868

NO 410

20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict revenues from fees collected by the transfer station and recycling to expenditures for the purpose of solid waste disposal. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the *Transfer Station/Recycling Fund*, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue.

YES 680

NO 530

21. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Solid Waste Task Force, to authorize the establishment and implementation of a mandatory "Pay-As-You-Throw" system with the revenue generated to be used to offset the cost of solid waste disposal and reduce the tax rate accordingly; and to adopt the provision of RSA 41:9-a, establishment of fees.

YES 326

NO 955

22. To see if the Town will vote for the 2006 State Mandated Property Assessment Certification, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, to create a Capital Reserve Fund to be known as the "Property Certification Fund", and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 for this purpose.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 387

NO 842

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,180.00 for the following Community Services:

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	<u>\$21,180.00</u>

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 861

NO 429

24. To see if the Town will vote to continue plowing snow on the following private roads: Deluxe Avenue, Shirley Avenue, First Street, Ray Avenue, Edward Avenue, Wenmarks Road (past the beach) and Rights-of-Way in Marcoux Grove.

YES 632

NO 644

25. On a petition of 25 or more registered voters and the Family Mediation Group, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,479.00 for the purpose of **continued funding for Family Mediation & Juvenile Services** of Southern Rockingham County. The agency is a non-profit organization, and will continue to provide the following services: Parent-Child Mediation, Peer Mediation, Community Service, Restitution, Youth and Parent participation in Anger-Management Courses, Youth and Parent participation in Substance Abuse Awareness Courses, Stop Shoplifting Courses, Tobacco Education, and individually-tailored juvenile diversion contracts. Family Mediation & Juvenile Services of Southern Rockingham County is pleased to be celebrating its 20th anniversary this year! The Town of Newton has supported us since 1983.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 791

NO 495

26. To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural and historic resources and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.

YES 810

NO 390

27. On a petition of 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the **continued support of D.A.D. Inc. (Drugs Are Dangerous)**. This is an existing non-profit organization, made up of Newton and Kingston residents, that has been funded by both Newton and Kingston for the past fourteen years. They have provided FREE, drug and alcohol free activities, such as: roller skating parties, mini golf, bingo and the annual Natural High Party at Camp Lincoln for students and families of the Sanborn Regional School District. They have also provided assistance to the schools for Red Ribbon Week, Project Safeguard, Project Stand By Me and other Anti-Drug Programs. They also have provided on going parent education classes.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 844

NO 412

28. On a petition of 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550.00 "for the continued funding" for the services provided by the **New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (N.H.S.P.C.A.)**.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

YES 917

NO 335

29. On a petition of 25 or more registered voters, to see if the Town will vote to **prohibit motorized vehicles** from the section of the abandoned railroad right of way known as the "**Peanut Trail**" between Whittier Street and South Main Street.

YES 629

NO 599

30. To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, to rescind the March 9, 1999 vote on Article 18 and direct the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and execute a settlement in the matter of Raymond Nicol & Michele Fitzgerald V. Town of Newton regarding the abandoned railroad right of way known as the "Peanut Trail". This settlement may include the sale of the section of the "Peanut Trail" which runs through and along the Nicol Farm property, the conveyance of adjacent parcels of Town owned tax deeded property, and/or monetary payment to the Nicol Farm Partnership.

YES 432

NO 768

NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS: 2573
NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST: 1326
PERCENTAGE OF TURNOUT: 52%

A true copy attest:

Raymond D. Thayer, Clerk of Newton

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003

Remitted to Treasurer:

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$658,940.25
Boat Permits	1,936.88
Dog Licenses	5,184.00
Dog License Penalties	766.50
Dog Fines	1,950.00
Departmental Income (Rabies Clinic)	94.00
Certified Copies	854.00
Marriage Licenses	1,300.00
Filing Fees	6.00

TOTAL REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$671,031.63
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Number of Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	6042
Number of Boat Permits Issued	168
Number of Dog Tags Issued	847
Number of Marriage Licenses Issued	32
Number of Certified Copies Issued (2 Veteran Copies at No Charge)	106
Number of Filing Fees	6

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond D. Thayer
Town Clerk

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC

Certified Public Accountants

45 Market Street
Manchester, New Hampshire 03101
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April 3, 2003

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Newton, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newton, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated April 3, 2003.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of the Town of Newton, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newton, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 2002, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

We noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town of Newton, New Hampshire's ability to record, process,

summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements.

TRIAL BALANCE

Observation

The trial balance as presented for the audit contained several omissions and accounting errors, which were undetected until year end. The account balances were not reconciled during the year and did not reflect the actual activity of the Town. We noted that the trial balance per the accounting software was not in balance by \$51,224,846. We also noted that the cash per the trial balance did not agree with the Treasurer's figures by approximately \$62,200.

Implication

Internal controls over the financial activities of the Town are weakened when the accounting system allows unbalanced entries to be posted. Additional time was necessary to reconstruct the actual activity of the Town. We were able to reconcile the reconstructed activity with the Treasurer's cash records within an immaterial variance.

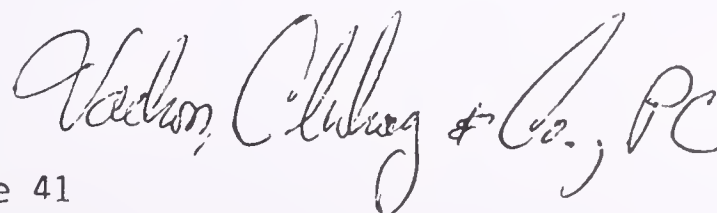
Recommendation

We recommend that the general ledger accounts be reconciled on a monthly basis to detect any errors or omissions. This includes reconciling the various asset, liability and equity accounts. As recommended in prior years, it is imperative that the Treasurer provide the bookkeeper with copies of the bank statements and bank reconciliations on a monthly basis. This will help ensure that all miscellaneous items such as payroll withholding transfers and bank charges can be recorded in the general ledger. This will also ensure an accurate financial position of the Town will be available upon which the Selectmen may make sound business decisions.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. We believe that the reportable condition described above is a material weakness.

We also noted other matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we have reported to the management of the Town of Newton, New Hampshire in a separate letter dated April 3, 2003.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.



TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of NEWTON NH Year Ending 12/31/2003**DEBITS**

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*		2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2002	2001	2000+
Property Taxes	#3110	XXXXXX	\$ 435,684.41	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120		\$ 0.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes			\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
			XXXXXX		
		XXXXXX			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 7,177,393.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 4,472.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 36.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

FOR DRA USE ONLY**OVERPAYMENTS**

Remaining From Prior Year		\$ 1,808.00			
New This Fiscal Year		\$ 24,292.39			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 5,542.31	\$ 22,708.47	\$ 1,478.22	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 7,513,543.70	\$ 458,392.88	\$ 26,478.22	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of NEWTON NH Year Ending 12/31/2003 **CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER	2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2002	2001	2000+
Property Taxes	\$ 6,871,594.37	\$ 360,025.18	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 21,138.90	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 4,472.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 5,542.31	\$ 22,708.47	\$ 1,478.22	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	\$ 36.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 72,760.02	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$ 0.00			

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 667.00	\$ 2,635.21	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 264,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -- END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 305,131.63	\$ 264.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,361.10	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Remaining Overpayments - Prior Yrs.	\$ 0.00			
Remaining Overpayments - This Year	\$ 2,428.47			
This Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 21,863.92			
Prior Years' Overpayments Returned	\$ 1,808.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 7,513,543.70	\$ 458,392.88	\$ 26,478.22	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of NEWTON NH Year Ending 12/31/2003**DEBITS**

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2002	2001	2000+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 59,222.90	\$ 22,452.67
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 79,398.58	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,189.03	\$ 9,907.17	\$ 5,330.77
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00	\$ 81,587.61	\$ 69,130.07	\$ 27,783.44

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		2003	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2002	2001	2000+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00	\$ 33,431.96	\$ 43,379.01	\$ 17,022.39
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,189.03	\$ 9,907.17	\$ 5,330.77
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00	\$ 1,009.29	\$ 870.86	\$ 3,943.16
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 44,957.33	\$ 14,973.03	\$ 1,487.12
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00	\$ 81,587.61	\$ 69,130.07	\$ 27,783.44

TREASURER'S REPORTS

General Fund – January 1, - December 31, 2003

RECEIPTS:

Elizabeth G. Standing 01/01/03, Treasurer	\$	2,087,457.82
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SELECTMEN:	\$	571,489.45	
Interest on Investments		16,744.90	\$ 588,234.35

TOWN CLERK:

2003 Motor Vehicle	\$	649,877.25	
2003 Motor Vehicle Fees		9,063.00	
Dog Licenses		4,343.00	
Dog Fines & Penalties		3,647.00	
Filing Fees & Recount		6.00	
Marriage Licenses		1,300.00	
Vital Statistics		846.00	
Bad Check Penalties		505.55	
Bad Checks Uncollected		(7,481.55)	\$ 662,106.25

TAX COLLECTOR:

2003 Property Taxes	\$	6,870,412.29	
2003 Yield Taxes & Previous Years		4,472.00	
Yield Tax Interest Current & Previous Years		47.65	
Land use Change Tax		57,138.90	
Land Use Interest and Costs		1,803.70	
Property Taxes Previous Years		362,299.18	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes		21,433.19	
Tax Liens Redeemed		93,833.36	
Tax Overpayments		29,448.43	
Impending Tax Lien Costs		17,371.97	\$ 7,458,260.67

BOAT TAX COLLECTOR:	\$	1,935.88
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	10,797,994.97
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PAYMENTS:

Vouchers drawn by Selectmen	\$	8,784,154.95
Balance per Citizen Statement	\$109,876.14	
Balance per BankNorth Statement	234,239.93	
2003 Deposits Not On Statement	235,844.84	
2003 Outstanding Checks	(66,120.89)	
BankNorth Investments	1,000,000.00	
Citizens CD	500,000.00	
Total Cash on Hand 12/31/03	\$	2,013,840.02

TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$	10,797,994.97
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Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth G. Standing, Treasurer

**TOWN HALL CEMETERY WALL
RESTITUTION
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/2003	\$	400.31
Interest		1.71

TOTAL RECEIPTS	402.02
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PAYMENTS:

None	-
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Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	\$	402.02
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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
January 1, 2003 – December 31, 2003
MMIA (Savings) BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/03		\$	113,660.37
Current Use	\$	12,500.00	
Interest		1,186.68	
Balance 2003 Budget		1,224.53	
Check #144 voided		300.00	15,211.21

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	128,871.58
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PAYMENTS:

02/28/03 N.H. Preservation Alliance	2,365.00
12/12/03 Doucet Survey	1,682.84
12/12/03 Civil Construction	120.00

TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$	4,167.84
Balance on Hand 12/31/03		124,703.74

TOTAL	\$	128,871.58
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RECREATION CHECKING
January 1, 2003 – December 31, 2003
BankNorth

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/2003		\$	53.14
Interest	\$	3.97	
Water Country		3,174.00	
Check #149 voided		26.95	3,204.92

TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$	3,258.06
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PAYMENTS:

09/12/03 Water Country	\$	3,174.00	
NSF checks		46.00	

TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$	3,220.00
Balance on Hand 12/31/03			38.06

TOTAL		\$	3,258.06
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RECREATION SAVINGS
January 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003
BankNorth

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/03		\$	29,103.70
Interest	\$	204.10	
Swim Lessons		3,625.00	
Tennis		690.00	
Check #177 voided		400.00	4,919.10

TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$	34,022.80
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PAYMENTS:

6/17/2003 Daigneault	\$	700.00	
9/12/2003 Tennis Professional Reg.		360.00	
10/07/03 Walmart		210.00	

TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$	1,270.00
Balance on Hand 12/31/03			32,752.80

TOTAL		\$	34,022.80
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NEWTON PROFESSIONAL REVIEW
January 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003
BankNorth

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/03		\$	19,598.46
Interest	92.46		
02/11/03 Country Pond Fish & Game	350.00		
02/28/03 Essex Equity Reality Trust	500.00		
03/14/03 Jay Turmel	500.00		
04/25/03 Country Pond Fish & Game	1,000.00		
05/02/03 Britt O'Donnell	715.00		
06/16/03 Woodsum Reality Trust	1,960.00		
08/15/03 Second Storey Homes	500.00		
08/15/03 Franciosa Builders	695.00		
09/02/03 Franciosa Builders	500.00		
09/19/03 Coleman P. McDonough	725.00		
09/26/03 William Cross	1,250.00		
10/17/03 Nancy Purcell	200.00		
10/17/03 F.X. Schmid, USA	2,500.00		
10/21/03 Coleman P. McDonough	500.00		
10/30/03 Second Storey Homes	2,000.00		
11/25/03 White Fences	5,282.00		
11/24/03 Coleman P. McDonough	3,500.00		
12/12/03 Integrity Homes	2,520.00		25,289.46
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$	44,887.92

PAYMENTS:

01/09/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	2,135.00
01/16/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	330.00
01/16/03 David DiBurro	500.00
02/14/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	1,697.50
03/20/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	2,712.50
04/15/03 Susan & Lindsey Rice	400.00
04/23/03 Frank Kuhn	1,000.00
04/30/03 Town of Newton	376.00
04/30/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	975.00
05/25/03 Rockingham Planning Commission	100.00
05/28/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	560.00
06/01/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	889.00
06/17/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	105.00
09/02/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	1,123.75
09/12/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	314.70
10/03/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	1,334.60
10/17/03 PRSC Construction	1,140.00
10/17/03 Essex Equity Realty Trust	470.00
10/17/03 Hobbins & Gardner	703.50
10/17/03 Jay Turmel	290.00
10/17/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	60.00
10/17/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	2,555.00

11/24/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	30.00
11/24/03 Altus Engineering	1,687.36
12/02/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	140.00
12/12/03 Rockingham Cty Conservation District	577.50
12/12/03 Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	75.00
12/12/03 Nancy Purcell	80.00

TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$	22,361.41
Balance on Hand as of 12/31/03		22,526.51

TOTAL	\$	44,887.92
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Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth G. Standing
Treasurer

ROAD BONDS

COUNTRY POND FISH & GAME RECLAMATION BOND BankNorth

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/2003		\$0.00
08/22/03	\$	10,000.00
Interest		39.27

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	10,039.27
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PAYMENTS:

None		-
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Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	\$	10,039.27
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EDWARD DAY RECLAMATION BOND (LAURA LANE) BankNorth

RECEIPTS:

Balance on Hand 01/01/2003	\$	3,054.82
Interest		35.40

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	3,090.22
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PAYMENTS:

None		-
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Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	\$	3,090.22
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**EDWARD DAY
LAURA LANE ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:	
Balance on Hand 01/01/2003	\$ 12,000.00
Interest	118.82
 TOTAL RECEIPTS	 \$ 12,118.82
PAYMENTS:	
None	-
 Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	 \$ 12,118.82

**CURTIS WOODSOM REALTY TRUST
GREBENSTEIN DRIVE ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:	
Balance on Hand 01/01/2003	\$0.00
07/29/03	\$ 47,058.27
Interest	160.87
 TOTAL RECEIPTS	 \$ 47,219.14
PAYMENTS:	
None	-
 Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	 \$ 47,219.14

**HOMES BY GEORGE & SONS
GEORGE'S WAY ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:	
Balance on Hand 01/01/2003	\$ 37,843.77
Interest	416.16
 TOTAL RECEIPTS	 \$ 38,259.93
PAYMENTS:	
None	-
 Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	 \$ 38,259.93

**K.B. TRUST
KIMBALL BROOK ESTATES ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/2003	\$	40,546.27
Interest		360.08

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	40,906.35
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PAYMENTS:

Anthony Franciosa 09/09/03	\$	27,058.51
Anthony Franciosa 10/31/03		13,847.84

TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$	40,906.35
Balance on Hand 12/31/2003		\$0.00

**DAVID KOLIAS
SUNSET RIDGE ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/2003		\$0.00
05/16/03	\$	47,364.14
Interest		337.12

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	47,701.26
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PAYMENTS:

None		-
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TOTAL PAYMENTS		-
Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	\$	47,701.26

**NATIONAL TOWER
REMOVAL BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:

Balance 01/01/2003		\$0.00
7/1/2003	\$	6,000.00
Interest		22.13

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	6,022.13
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PAYMENTS:

None		-
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TOTAL PAYMENTS		-
Balance on Hand 12/31/2003	\$	6,022.13

**J.H. CHASE, LLC
PEASLEE HILL ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:			
Balance 01/01/2003		\$	44,700.21
Interest			152.95
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$	44,853.16
PAYMENTS:			
03/03/03	\$	39,807.57	
TOTAL PAYMENTS			39,807.57
Balance on Hand 12/31/2003		\$	5,045.59

**EML BUILDERS
GEORGE'S WAY/BRENNER DRIVE
ROAD BOND (Phase III)
Merrimac Savings Bank**

RECEIPTS:			
03/31/03		\$	244,926.23
Interest			4,063.44
TOTAL RECEIPTS			\$248,989.67
PAYMENTS:			
None			-
TOTAL PAYMENTS			-
Balance on Hand 12/31/2003		\$	248,989.67

**FATHER AND SON REALTY TRUST
ZACHERY LANE ROAD BOND
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:			
01/01/03	\$	24,685.61	
Interest			42.34
TOTAL RECEIPTS			\$24,727.95
PAYMENTS:			
Father and Son Realty Trust	\$	24,727.95	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$	24,727.95
Balance on Hand 12/31/2003			\$0.00

**TRANSFER STATION / RECYCLING SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
BULKY COUPON SALES - 2003
BankNorth**

RECEIPTS:

06/03	\$	357.00
07/03		392.40
08/03		1,555.50
09/03		2,686.65
10/03		1,972.34
11/03		989.25
12/03		2,028.35
Interest		22.07

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$10,003.56
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PAYMENTS	-
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Balance on Hand 12/31/03	\$10,003.56
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Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth G. Standing
Treasurer

IMPACT FEES – 2003

Date of Payment	Owner on Record	Location	Tax Map	Permit	Impact Fee	Interest Prev Yr	Interest Pres Yr	School Payment	Acct. Total
11/14/02	Craig Dupray	3 Currierville Rd	9-4-3-1	2494	2,265.00	-	25.88	2,290.88	-
02/12/03	Michael Pivero	6 Maple Avenue	10-10-21	2575	2,265.00	-	9.63	2,274.63	-
04/07/03	LJF Realty Trust Apt. 7	178 So Main St.	14-2-20	2604	885.00	-	2.96	887.96	-
04/07/03	LJF Realty Trust Apt. 8	178 So Main St.	14-2-20	2604	885.00	-	2.96	887.96	-
04/09/03	William & Marilyn Landry	Zero Kenwood Dr.	7-3-33-1	2590	3,376.00	-	11.30	3,387.30	-
04/24/03	Rose Realty Trust	18 Brenner Dr.	7-3-14-18	2613	3,376.00	-	12.76	3,388.76	-
07/21/03	PRSC Construction, Inc.	49 Highland St.	5-4-18-1	2642	3,376.00	-	1.98	3,377.98	-
08/04/03	Montana Realty Trust	16 Brenner Dr.	7-3-14-19	2620	3,376.00	-	0.99	3,376.99	-
	Sub-Total				19,804.00		68.46	19,872.46	
09/24/03	John & Diane Zink	8 Peaslee Cr. Rd.	13-3-9-6	2691	2,265.00	-	3.21	-	2,268.21
11/05/03	Sara Realty Trust	8 Wenmarks Rd.	5/1/2005	2641	3,376.00	-	1.93	-	3,377.93
	Grand Total				25,445.00	-	73.60		5,646.14
	Balance on Hand as of 12/31/03								5,646.14

Respectfully submitted,
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Treasurer

GALE LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

ASSETS

Savings	\$	36,323.79	
Checking		595.32	
Cash on Hand		228.59	
Building Fund		2,007.01	
CD		-	
Fines/Petty Cash		2,752.94	
TOTAL ASSETS			\$ 41,907.65

INCOME

Copy Funds		225.96	
Donations		150.00	
Fines		1,403.71	
Interest			
Trust Fund Interest		345.73	
Lost Books		-	
Grant		425.00	
Reimbursements		68.00	
Appropriation		81,587.00	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 84,205.40

BALANCE			\$ 126,113.05
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EXPENDITURES

ADMINISTRATIVE

Community Programs	\$	836.07	
Dues & Association		355.00	
General		-	
Media-Audio/Visual		1,988.48	
Media Books		11,443.87	
Media Magazines		1,846.25	
Office Supplies		1,049.55	
Postage		194.10	
Professional		785.00	
Travel		232.50	
Legal		-	

EQUIPMENT

Computer Maintenance	\$	1,521.80	
Computer/Copier Supplies		756.55	
Equipment/Maintenance		950.67	
Furniture		-	

FACILITIES

Custodial Supplies	\$	159.15	
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Electric	-		
Heat/Oil	-		
Janitorial Services	1,250.00		
Maintenance/Repairs	704.40		
Summer Care	-		
Telephone	2,103.98		
Winter Care	-		
 PERSONNEL			
Salary	\$ 51,053.40		
Fica/Mediacare	3,905.56		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 81,136.33	
 NEW BALANCE		\$ 44,976.72	
 RECONCILIATION			
Savings	\$ 34,304.44		
Checking	4,126.70		
Cash on Hand	233.55		
Building Fund	2,024.57		
CD	-		
Fine/Copy	4,636.58		
 TOTAL		 \$ 45,325.84	

RECEIPTS – SUMMARY

Receipts - Summary

General Funds - 2003

RECEIVED BY TAX COLLECTOR:

2003 Property Taxes	\$ 6,870,412.29	
Land Use Change Tax	57,138.90	
Interest & Costs	1,803.70	
Property Taxes-Previous Years	362,299.18	
2003 Yield Taxes & Previous Years	4,472.00	
Interest & Costs	47.65	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	21,433.19	
Tax Liens Redeemed	93,833.36	
Total Taxes	7,411,440.27	
Impending Tax Lien Costs	17,371.97	
Tax Overpayments	29,448.43	
Total Received by Tax Collector		\$ 7,458,260.67

RECEIVED BY BOAT TAX COLLECTOR:

Boat Registration Permits		\$ 1,935.88
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RECEIVED BY TOWN CLERK:

2003 Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 649,877.25	
2003 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	9,063.00	
Dog Licenses	4,343.00	
Dog Fines & Penalties	3,647.00	
Filing Fees & Recount	6.00	
Marriage Licenses (State)	1,300.00	
Vital Statistics	846.00	
Bad Check Penalties	505.55	
Bad Checks Uncollected	(7,481.55)	
Total Received by Town Clerk		\$ 662,106.25

RECEIVED BY SELECTMEN:

General Funds	\$ 571,489.45	
Interest on Investments	16,744.90	
Total Received By Selectmen		\$ 588,234.35

RECEIVED FROM 2003 Treasurer:

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2003		\$ 2,087,457.82
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 10,797,994.97
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PAYMENTS - SUMMARY

General Funds

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Executive	\$	108,013.13	
Election & Registration		45,006.74	
Financial Administration		102,895.90	
Cemetery		5,045.05	
General Government Buildings		39,322.08	
Legal Expense		89,016.04	
Health Officer		10,915.00	
Planning Board		30,896.05	
Total General Government			\$ 431,109.99

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department		374,286.92	
PD - Grant Expenses (Reimbursed)		10,005.25	
Police Services		33,926.63	
Fire Department/Forest Fires		150,528.46	
FD - Grant Expenses (Reimbursed)		7,863.93	
Emergency Management		1,110.00	
Building Inspection/Other Inspec.		44,813.55	
Total Public Safety Expenses			\$ 622,534.74

HIGHWAYS & STREETS:

Town Maintenance - Summer		60,629.90	
Winter		137,721.08	
Street Lighting		15,744.72	
Care of Trees		2,545.00	
Total Highway Expenses			\$ 216,640.70

SANITATION:

Solid Waste Disposal Area	\$	359,517.50	
Total Sanitation Expenses			\$ 359,517.50

HEALTH:

Ambulance		27,000.00	
Drugs Are Dangerous, Inc.		2,000.00	
Lamprey Health Care		1,000.00	
NHSPCA		550.00	
Rockingham Visiting Nurse Assoc.		5,678.00	
SeaCare Health		2,000.00	
Total Health Expenses			\$ 38,228.00

WELFARE:

A Safe Place	\$	1,000.00	
Area HomeCare		3,800.00	
Family Mediation & Juvenile Service		5,479.00	
General Assistance		18,444.71	
Rockingham County Community Action		5,702.00	

Vic Geary Center	2,000.00	
Total Welfare Expenses		\$ 36,425.71
CULTURE & RECREATION:		
Library Trustees	81,587.00	
Library Payroll (Reimbursed)	51,053.40	
Recreation	27,749.25	
Conservation Commission	2,775.00	
NCAT-20	3,638.43	
Total Culture & Recreation Expenses		\$ 166,803.08
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
Sprinkler System Specifications #7	\$ -	
PD - Digital Radio #13 (Equip Donated)	-	
PD - Educational Incentive Program #15	2,854.97	
FD - Defibrillators #17	9,800.00	
West Nile Virus #18	15,000.00	
Total Capital Outlay		\$ 27,654.97
MISCELLANEOUS:		
FICA, Retirement & Pension	\$ 63,157.66	
Harris Trust	370.55	
Insurance	62,130.77	
Donations - PD	413.77	
Cruiser Damage	6,255.71	
Transfer Station Fees to Special Fund	424.20	
Misc. Adjustment	(1,417.37)	
Total Miscellaneous Expenses		\$ 131,335.29
UNCLASSIFIED:		
Tax Lien & Redemption Fees	\$ 130.60	
Discounts, Abatements & Refunds-Cobra	28,332.31	
Payments on 2002 Accounts	79,489.19	
Conservation Land Use Change Tax 25%	12,500.00	
Cobra Refund	2,430.36	
Total Unclassified Expenses		\$ 122,882.46
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIV.:		
Payments to School District	6,203,629.00	
Payment to County	402,328.00	
Total Payments/Other Govern. Div.		\$ 6,605,957.00
ADP Payroll Transfer made on 12/31/03 to cover payroll paid on 01/02/04		25,065.51
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR ALL PURPOSES		\$ 8,784,154.95
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2002		2,013,840.02
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 10,797,994.97

RECEIPTS - DETAILED**FROM PROPERTY TAXES:**

Property Taxes - Year 2003	\$ 6,870,412.29	
Land Use Change Tax	57,138.90	
Interest & Costs	1,803.70	
Gravel Tax	36.00	
Property Taxes - Previous Years	362,299.18	
2003 Yield Taxes & Previous Years	4,472.00	
Interest	47.65	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	21,433.19	
Tax Liens Redeemed	93,833.36	
Town Redemption's Interest & Cost	17,371.97	
Motor Vehicle Permits	649,877.25	
Total Taxes Collected & Remitted		\$ 8,078,725.49

LICENSES & PERMITS:

Motor Vehicle Fees	\$ 9,063.00	
Dog Licenses	4,343.00	
Dog License Fees	841.00	
Rabies Clinic	80.00	
Business Lic., Permits & Filing Fees	6.00	
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	-	
Building Inspection & Other Inspect.	49,430.40	
Boat Registration Permits	1,767.88	
Boat Registration Fees	168.00	
Marriage License	1,258.00	
Marriage License Fees	42.00	
Pole Permit	10.00	
Total Licenses & Permits		\$ 67,009.28

FROM STATE/FEDERAL:

Rooms & Meals Tax	\$ 132,456.76	
Shared Revenue	39,683.00	
Railroad Tax Distribution	3,493.69	
Forest Fire Refunds	3,713.48	
Highway Block Grant	73,817.23	
Refund a/c Road Toll, 2003	-	
Grant Monies - PD	5,945.03	
Grant Monies - FD	7,863.93	
FEMA Refund	6,870.07	
Total From State		\$ 273,843.19

CHARGES FOR SERVICES:

Solid Waste Disposal Area, Mixed Paper	\$ 273.40	
Planning Board Fees	11,866.00	
Police Services	42,468.92	
Health Officer	9,665.00	
Board of Appeals	1,348.00	
Total Charges		\$ 65,621.32

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:

Sale of Town Property	\$	2,157.25	
Solid Waste Disposal Area - Refund		7.59	
Cable TV Franchise Fees 5%		31,704.43	
Cable, VCR Copies		80.00	
Board of Appeals, Copies		3.00	
Police Department - Donations		300.00	
Financial Administration, Refund		30.00	
General Assistance, Refund		735.00	
Library, Payroll		54,958.96	
Election & Registration Refund		14.00	
Interest on Deposits		16,744.90	
Dog License Penalties/Fines		2,726.00	
Police Reports		330.00	
Police Dept. Court Fines		211.40	
Police Pistol Permits		530.00	
Police Parking Violations		485.00	
Fire Department Restitution		128.18	
Police Witness Fees		285.64	
Vital Statistics		846.00	
Voter Checklist		150.00	
Bad Check Penalty		505.55	
DeVito Dog Seizure		66,971.53	
NHMA-Property Liability Insurance, Cruiser		6,255.71	
Miscellaneous, Various		454.20	
Cemetery Trust Fund 2003		2,007.61	
Total Miscellaneous			\$ 188,621.95

NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS:

General Assistance Lien Redeemed	\$	-	
Harris Trust		-	
Insurance Adjustments		12,307.69	
Overpayment of Taxes		29,448.43	
Health/Dental Insurance, Payroll Deductions			
Health/Dental, Cobra Reimbursement		2,430.36	
Postage Refund, Selectmen		10.99	
Total Non-Revenue			\$ 44,197.47

TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES

Checks Outstanding	(7,481.55)	
Bank Service Charge	-	
Cash on Hand, January 1, 2003		2,087,457.82
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 10,797,994.97

TOWN OF NEWTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

WARRANT AND BUDGET

TOWN WARRANT – 2004

TOWN WARRANT 2004 The State of New Hampshire

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Newton, N.H. in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs; you are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual meeting, which shall be for the explanation, discussion and debate of each warrant article and the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot to be held at the **Sanborn Regional Middle School on Tuesday, February 3, 2004 at 7:00 PM**; the **second session to be held at the Memorial Elementary School, in said Newton, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to choose all necessary Town officers** for the ensuing year by official ballot, and to vote on all issues before the Town of Newton on the official ballot; the polls to be open at eight o'clock in the forenoon and to close not earlier than eight o'clock in the evening.

1. To elect all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
2. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _1_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION XIII LIGHT INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL ZONE AREA REGULATIONS

- Number 1 (Lot Location) would read: Location on Lot: Side yard 200 feet\structural setback with a minimum 50 foot undisturbed natural buffer and any additional buffer that may be required by the Planning Board on side that abuts any other zone; rear yard 200 feet structural setback with a minimum 50 foot undisturbed natural buffer and any additional buffer that may be required by the Planning Board where it abuts any other Zone, plus adequate provision for off-street parking as determined by the Planning Board. No building shall be set within 75 feet of the street and within 30 feet of any lot line.

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. _2_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION XVII AQUIFER PROTECTION ORDINANCE

Number 4 (Use Regulations) and Letter d (Conditional Uses), number 1 would be eliminated and the section would be renumbered starting with the current number 2 as number 1.

d.Conditional Uses

1. The Planning Board may grant approval for those uses listed above in 'd,1 only after it is determined that all of the following conditions have been met:
 - a. The use will not detrimentally affect groundwater quality, nor cause a significant long-term reduction in the volume of water contained in the aquifer or in the storage capacity of the aquifer.
 - b. The use will discharge no wastewater on-site other than that typically discharged by domestic wastewater disposal systems;

- c. The proposed use complies with all other applicable provisions of this Section.
- d. The land owner must prove that the standard of ' 4.d, 2(a) will be met and that provisions for continuous perpetual compliance are in place to insure protection of the aquifer and recharge area through substantial and credible evidence submitted to the Planning Board and reviewed in accordance with Site Plan Review process, including review of submitted materials by a qualified hydrogeologist, environmental engineer or other professional consultant.

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No._3_** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Newton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION XII LIGHT INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL ZONE USES

- h. The display of not more than 100 square feet of signage providing the sign is not oscillating, flashing or operated with moving parts and providing further that no sign shall be located closer than 50 feet from any Residential Zone. No sign shall be greater than 32 square feet in size. This amendment further regulates the amount and size of signage in the Light Industrial/Commercial Zone.

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- 5. "Shall the Town of Newton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$2,202,168.00?

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Should this article above be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$2,168,302.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Newton or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only."

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- 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to Nicol Farm Partnership the portion of the so-called Peanut Trail which abuts their property for the sum of \$65,000 in order to achieve settlement in the matter entitled Raymond Nicol and Michele Fitzgerald v. Town of Newton, Rockingham County Superior Court Docket No. 01-E-0439. The Board of Selectmen does recommend this article.

- 7. To see if the Town of Newton will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$14,000 to **repair and reline the chimneys at the Town Hall and Gale Library** and authorize the withdrawal of \$1,732.00 from the **Al Boswell Memorial Fund** and authorize the withdrawal of \$12,089.00 plus accrued interest from the **TOWN BUILDINGS Capital Reserve Fund** created in 1987 for that purpose **and to discontinue said fund**. The balance is to come from general taxation.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

8. Shall we modify the provisions of RSA 72:28, for an optional veterans' tax credit and an expanded qualifying war service for veterans seeking the tax credit? The optional veterans' tax credit will be \$200, rather than \$100.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

9. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35, for an optional tax credit on the taxes due on residential property for a service-connected total disability? The optional disability tax credit will be \$1,400, rather than \$700.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

10. To see if the Town will vote to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Newton, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years \$45,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 \$65,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$85,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$19,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$28,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$55,000 excluding the value of the person's residence".

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00, to provide a 2½ percent cost of living increase for non-elected town employees.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a **three (3) year "Lease/Purchase Agreement"**, as proposed by the Police Chief, for the purpose of leasing a **2004 Ford Crown Victoria Police Cruiser** and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for the first year's payment and \$9,000 for the subsequent two (2) years payment for a total sum of \$27,000. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Fire Chief, the sum of \$32,000 to **purchase Firefighter Protective Clothing (Bunker Gear)**.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a **three (3) year "Lease/Purchase Agreement"**, as proposed by the Fire Chief, for the purpose of leasing a **2004 Ford Explorer Fire Department Vehicle** (replacing the existing Car) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,401.00 for the first year's payment and \$8,401.00 for the subsequent two (2) years payment for a total sum of \$25,203. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES NOT RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Fire Chief, the sum of \$40,000 to contract engineering and architectural services and legal fees for a proposed Safety Complex.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

16. To see if the Town will vote to establish as proposed by the Newton Recreation Commission, a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2 11. The money received from fees and charges for recreation park services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Recreation Director (no further town meeting approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds which have not been appropriated for that purpose.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen, the sum of \$25,000 for the Surveying and Preliminary Engineering of the Landfill Closure Plan at the Dugway Road Landfill and authorize the withdrawal of \$10,000 from the Transfer Station/Recycling Special Revenue Fund established in 2003. The balance is to come from general taxation.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

18. To see if the Town will vote in favor of a non-binding resolution to support the Plaistow Rail Station for train service to Boston. This would include future warrant articles requesting annual financial subsidy of Amtrak passenger rail service (DownEaster). It is estimated the annual cost would be roughly \$5,000 the first year, \$1,400 the second year, \$1,500 the third year and \$8,000 per year after the third year with changes in the amount based on participation and costs.

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,349.00 for the following Community Services:

A SAFE PLACE	\$ 1,000.00
AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES	3,800.00
DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS	2,000.00
FAMILY MEDIATION	5,479.00
LAMPREY HEALTH CARE	1,000.00
NHSPCA	550.00
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION	6,842.00
RVNA-HOSPICE	5,678.00
SEACARE HEALTH SERVICES	2,000.00
VIC GEARY CENTER	2,000.00
	<u>\$30,349.00</u>

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

20. On a petition of 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,500 for the purchase and installation of a heating system** for the Newton Historical Society, a non-profit organization, in the Village Primary School House, located at 22 South Main Street for the benefit of the preservation of the Town's historical documents, photographs and artifacts.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

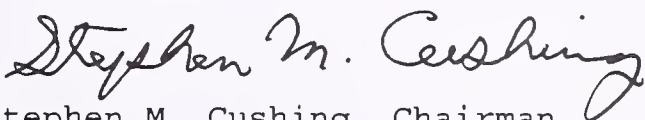
21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$4,200**, as proposed by the Fire Chief, for the purpose of **repairing or replacing the Dry Hydrant on Keezer Lane**.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

22. On a petition of Steppingstone Music Opportunities Inc., d/b/a The Sad Café and 25 or more legal voters of the Town of Newton, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** to help sustain current and future researched based prevention programs serving the needs of local children, youth and families in the Sanborn and Timberlane Regional School Districts.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DOES NOT RECOMMEND THIS ARTICLE

Given under our hands and seal this 14th day of January in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Four.



Stephen M. Cushing, Chairman



Mary P. Marshall



Norman P. Harding
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		116,836.00	108,013.00	131,852.00	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		43,622.00	45,007.00	76,997.00	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		105,563.00	102,896.00	139,733.00	
4152	Revaluation of Property					
4153	Legal Expense		25,000.00	89,016.00	50,000.00	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		71,400.00	63,158.00	76,000.00	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		36,500.00	30,896.00	34,500.00	
4194	General Government Buildings		39,900.00	39,322.00	37,550.00	
4195	Cemeteries		9,100.00	5,045.00	9,100.00	
4196	Insurance		60,390.00	62,131.00	67,294.00	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.					
4199	Other General Government					
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		387,357.00	374,287.00	459,048.00	
4215-4219	Ambulance		27,000.00	27,000.00	-	
4220-4229	Fire		202,294.00	150,528.00	212,714.00	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		38,428.00	44,814.00	52,528.00	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		1,200.00	1,110.00	1,200.00	
4299	Other (Police Services)		30,000.00	33,927.00	30,000.00	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration					
4312	Highways & Streets		242,650.00	198,351.00	299,420.00	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting		10,000.00	15,745.00	12,000.00	
4319	Other					
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		388,600.00	359,518.00	329,969.00	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		13,428.00	10,915.00	30,000.00	
4414	Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other					
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		17,690.00	18,445.00	19,075.00	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		30,912.00	27,749.00	31,661.00	
4550-4559	Library		81,587.00	81,587.00	83,752.00	
4583	Patriotic Purposes					
4589	Other NCAT-20		9,700.00	3,638.00	9,500.00	
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Nat. Resources Care of Trees		3,000.00	2,545.00	3,000.00	
4619	Conservation Commission		2,775.00	2,775.00	2,775.00	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		2,500.00	-	2,500.00	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

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CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	See Attached W.A.'s		64,831.00	56,864.00	185,450.00	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund					
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
TOTAL			\$ 2,062,263.00	\$ 1,955,282.00	\$ 2,387,618.00	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

Budget - Town of: Newton, NH FY: 2004					
WARRANT ARTICLES - 2003	W.A. #	Appropriation Prior Years	Actual Expenditure	Recommended Appropriation	Not Recommended Appropriation
Digital Radio - PD	13	4,722.00	-		
Education Incentive Program - PD	15	3,100.00	2,855.00		
Difibrillators - FD	17	9,800.00	9,800.00		
West Nile Virus	18	15,000.00	15,000.00		
Social Services	22	21,180.00	21,180.00		
Sprinkler Specs-TH nonlapsing	7	3,000.00	-		
Family Mediation	24	5,479.00	5,479.00		
Drugs Are Dangerous	26	2,000.00	2,000.00		
N.H.S.P.C.A	27	550.00	550.00		
TOTAL		64,831.00	56,864.00		
WARRANT ARTICLES - 2004		Appropriation Prior Years	Actual Expenditure	Recommended Appropriation	Not Recommended Appropriation
(INDIVIDUAL)	W.A. #				
Repair & Reline Chimney's	#7			14,000.00	
Cost of Living - 2.5%	#11			15,000.00	
Ford Cruiser - PD	#12			9,000.00	
Protective Clothing - FD	#13			32,000.00	
Ford Explorer - FD	#14				8,401.00
Engineering/Architectural Services for proposed Safety Complex	#15			40,000.00	
Surveying & Engineering for Landfill Closure Plan	#17			25,000.00	
Social Services	#19			30,349.00	
Dry Hydrant Keezer Lane - FD	#21			4,200.00	
TOTAL				\$ 169,549.00	8,401.00
(SPECIAL)	W.A.#				
Newton Historical Society Heating System Installation	#20			2,500.00	
The Sad Café	#22				5,000.00
TOTAL				2,500.00	5,000.00
GRAND TOTAL				\$ 172,049.00	\$13,401.00

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		36,375.00	57,139.00	100,000.00
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		4,472.00	4,472.00	6,000.00
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		55,348.00	46,565.00	50,000.00
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		36.00	36.00	500.00
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		59,700.00	66,591.00	79,500.00
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		612,427.00	649,877.00	675,000.00
3230	Building Permits		38,428.00	49,430.00	52,528.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4,250.00	4,173.00	4,202.00
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		6,870.00	6,870.00	-
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		24,302.00	39,683.00	39,683.00
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		132,457.00	132,457.00	132,457.00
3353	Highway Block Grant		73,817.00	73,817.00	74,257.00
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax, Gas Tax Ref)		4,139.00	3,494.00	2,745.00
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS			13,809.00	12,000.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		2,200.00	4,411.00	4,450.00
3409	Other Charges		400.00	506.00	550.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		-	-	65,000.00
3502	Interest on Investments		15,000.00	16,745.00	17,000.00
3503-3509	Other		48,700.00	49,169.00	42,622.00

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3912	Station/Recycling Fund	#16			10,000.00
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds Town Bldgs.	#6			13,821.00
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		2,500.00	2,008.00	2,000.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes		167,500.00		
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			1,288,921.00	1,221,252.00	1,384,315.00

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	\$ 1,997,432.00	\$ 2,202,168.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	11,029.00	7,500.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	53,802.00	177,950.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,062,263.00	2,387,618.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1,288,921.00	1,384,315.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$ 773,342.00	\$ 1,003,303.00

A SAFE PLACE

AMBULANCE

AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES

BUILDING & OTHER INSPECTIONS

CABLE COMMITTEE

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CARE OF TREES

Appropriation:		\$3,000.00
Expenditure:		
Tamarack Tree Service	\$2,545.00	
TOTAL	\$2,545.00	
Unexpended Balance		(\$455.00)

CEMETERIES

Appropriation:		\$9,100.00
Trustee of Trust Fund Credit - 2003	\$2,007.61	
Expenditures:		
Cemetery Salaries	\$2,704.46	
Andrew P. Morse, Reimbursement	1,776.74	
Newton Greenhouse	77.00	
The Eagle Tribune	64.35	
Theresa M. Morse, Reimbursement	422.50	
TOTAL	\$5,045.05	
Unexpended Balance		(\$4,054.95)
Encumbered Funds		\$2,200.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation:		\$2,775.00
Expenditures:		
NHACC, Dues	\$225.00	
Alicia Raddatz, Reimbursement	33.00	
Charlton J. Swasey, Legal Fees	281.25	
Patricia Gleichauf-Wonson, Reimbursement	32.35	
Petty Cash	39.11	
Secretary Salary	569.91	
Stephen M. Cushing, Reimbursement	323.05	
The Eagle Tribune, Legal Advertising	46.80	
Town of Newton Conservation Commission	1,224.53	
TOTAL	\$2,775.00	
Unexpended Balance		0

ELECTION, REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation:		\$43,622.00
Expenditures:		
Raymond D. Thayer, Town Clerk Salary	\$2,000.00	
Raymond D. Thayer		
Town Clerk Fees	10,471.00	
State Fees paid to Town Clerk	6,308.00	
Vital Record State Fees paid to Tn Clerk	130.00	
Marriage Lic State Fees paid to Tn Clerk	84.00	
Deputy Town Clerk Earnings	9,821.71	
Mary-Jo McCullough, Mileage Reimbursement	157.50	
NHMA Health Insurance Trust/Health Trust	7,425.72	
Cameron Office Products	100.00	

CPI Printing, Supplies	32.67	
Harold's Locksmith	65.00	
Protection One, Security Alarm Contract	50.00	
Treasurer, State of NH, Vital Statistics	671.00	
Treasurer, State of NH, Marriage Licenses	1,140.00	
Treas, St of NH, Animal Population Control	1,837.50	
Verizon, Telephone	1,149.38	
A.T.& T., Telephone	546.11	
N.H. City & Town Clerks Association	95.00	
N.E. Associates of City & Town Clerks	20.00	
Mount Washington Resort, Conference	675.00	
Craftsmen Press, Supplies	85.00	
LHS Associates, Dog Tags, Voter Supplies	379.11	
Petty Cash	493.98	
Staples, Office Supplies	692.48	
Postmaster, Newton, NH, Postage	34.00	
IIMC, Dues	45.00	
Stowe Telecom, Internet	13.30	
Liz's Cloth, Voting Booth Curtain	40.00	
Linda S. Jette, Seminar Registration	50.00	
State of New Hampshire, Office Supplies	12.00	
Primedia Business, Supplies	122.00	
Voter Registration/Election Salaries	260.28	
TOTAL	\$45,006.74	
Overdraft		\$1,384.74
Credits: Refunds	\$14.00	
Insurance Payroll Deduction	2,475.46	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$2,489.46
 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
Appropriation:		\$1,200.00
Expenditure:		
Shipman's Fire Equipment	\$1,110.00	
TOTAL	\$1,110.00	
Unexpended Balance		(\$90.00)
 EXECUTIVE		
Appropriation:		\$116,836.00
Expenditures:		
NHMA Health Trust, Medical Insurance	\$3,465.12	
Carriage Towne News	64.00	
Department Salaries	86,986.06	
ETC, Town Report Mailing	928.95	
King Graphics, Town Ballots	858.50	
LHS, Town Ballots	2,536.39	
Mary P. Marshall, Selectwoman Salary	2,500.00	
Norman P. Harding, Selectman Salary	2,500.00	
Petty Cash	119.74	
Riendeau Printing Corp., Town Report	4,332.80	

Stephen M. Cushing, Selectman Salary	2,500.00	
Sylvania Maddock, Computer Consultant	460.00	
The Eagle Tribune	99.07	
Theresa M. Morse, Trustee of Trust Funds	500.00	
Town of Newton, Town Mtg Police Detail	162.50	
TOTAL	\$108,013.13	
Unexpended Balance		(\$8,822.87)
Credits: Insurance Payroll Deduction	\$1,154.92	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$1,154.92

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation:		\$105,563.00
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Expenditures:

Elizabeth G. Standing, Treasurer	\$6,200.00
6,200.00	
Elizabeth G. Standing, Mileage	390.00
Deputy Treasurer Salary	769.00
Nancy J. Wrigley, Travel Reimbursement	85.89
Raymond D. Thayer, Tax Collector Salary	7,000.00
Raymond D. Thayer, Tax Collector Fees	5,908.00
Deputy Tax Collector Earnings	7,254.12
Mary-Jo McCullough, Mileage Reimbursement	31.50
Secretary, Board of Appeals; Salary	774.12
Jeannette Clark, Mileage Reimbursement	154.80
Petty Cash	949.76
N.H. Municipal Association	2,934.13
Protection One, Security Alarm Contract	150.00
East Coast Office Machines	700.00
Postmaster, Newton/Newton Jct., NH	2,392.69
The Carriage Towne News, Legal Advertising	80.00
The Eagle Tribune, Legal Advertising	914.79
Staples, Office Supplies	1,900.34
Sam's Club, Office Supplies	75.37
Treasurer, State of NH, Dues	17.00
Verizon, Telephone	1,741.59
A.T. & T., Telephone	895.66
Rockingham Planning Commission	45.50
Rockingham Cty Registry Deeds	64.11
National Business Institute	249.00
Mountain View Grand Resort, Conference	522.00
Cameron Office Products	254.24
N.H. Tax Collector's Association	50.00
N.H.G.F.O.A., Dues	25.00
King Graphics, Office Supplies	45.50
Sylvania Maddock, Consulting, Supplies	6,486.06
ADP, Payroll Service	3,047.65
FedEx, Payroll Delivery Service	700.09
Avitar, Assessment Services	38,560.50
N.H. Association of Assessing Officials	20.00
Vachon, Clukay, & Company, 2002 Audit	7,852.00

IIMC, Dues	45.00	
Kimberly K. Hughes, Reimbursement	1,592.35	
Safeguard Business Systems, Office Supply	87.98	
Best Software, Forms	47.75	
Stowe Telecom, Internet	71.75	
Gordon Whitford, Repair	52.50	
West Group Payment Center, Supplies	77.00	
Doyle's Office Equipment	902.50	
NHSLA, Seminar	125.00	
Civil Construction Management, Tax Maps	439.00	
PSU Planning Conference	40.00	
Insight Public Sector, Office Supplies	174.66	
TOTAL	\$102,895.90	
Unexpended Balance		(\$2,667.10)
Encumbered Funds		\$899.00
Credits: Copies	\$1,123.25	
Refunds	40.99	
Sale of Town Pamphlets	249.00	
Sale of Sub-Division Regs.	85.00	
Resident List	300.00	
Site Plan	36.00	
Sale of Tax Maps	11.00	
Assessment List	300.00	
Deed Copy	10.00	
Voter List	150.00	
Fax Copy	33.00	
Sale of Real Property	10.00	
Board of Appeals	1,351.00	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$3,699.24

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:		\$202,293.76
Expenditures:		
1st Responder Newspaper	\$48.00	
2 Way Communications, Radio Equip/Repair	4,205.10	
A.T.& T., Telephone	408.22	
Academy of First Response, Inc.	1.00	
Adamson Industries, Repairs	101.80	
Arcsource, Medical Supplies	715.14	
Armstrong Medical Industries	401.00	
Auto Electric Services, Inc.	124.80	
Avant Incorporated	61.46	
Baker, David A., Reimbursement	76.51	
Beacon Electrical Sales, Inc.	457.37	
Ben's Uniform, Clothing	406.65	
Bound Tree Parr, LLC, Medical Supplies	2,425.71	
Brice L. Guile, Reimbursement	80.00	
Chief Supply, Repairs & Supplies	260.69	
Cingular Wireless	148.96	

Conterra, Equipment Supplies	123.25
Conway Associates, Inc., Equipment	11,353.00
Christian W. Cole, Reimbursement	630.00
Dale G. Putnam, Reimbursement	104.27
David A. Baker, Expenses	76.51
David W. Marden Landscape Maintenance, Inc	100.00
Eagle Tribune, Advertising	45.33
Emergency Medical Products	557.82
Engine Service, Preventive Maint/Repair	3,912.01
Equinox Health & Healing, Hepatitis B/TB	1,262.66
E.R. Field, Inc.	398.60
Estabrook's Garage, Gas	84.60
Exeter Hospital, Training	1,707.50
Fire Department Payroll	89,831.66
Fire Engineering, Subscription	24.95
Fire Tech & Safety, Equipment	456.85
Forest Fire Payroll	1,964.00
Freedom Tire	178.90
Greenwood Fire Apparatus, Equipment	901.36
Greg Bolduc, Training	900.00
Harry Hull Automotive	1,865.13
Industrial Protection Services	8,938.30
Interstate Emergency Unit, Dues	150.00
John E. Bertogli, EMT Instructor	85.00
Jon Lovett, Training	600.00
Keith E. Bertogli, Reimbursement	276.06
King Graphics, Office Supplies	92.50
Lab Safety Supply, Inc.	101.11
Laura Laubner, Reimbursement	43.88
Lawrence General Hospital, Training	33.00
MBA Rescue Equipment LLC	350.00
Medtronic Physio-Control Corporation	322.13
Michael D. Elkin, Reimbursement	630.00
Nextel Communications, Telephone	405.73
Newton Glass	95.00
Newton Supply, Equipment Supplies	176.17
NFPA, Dues & Subscriptions	896.82
Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc.	155.93
Petty Cash	113.08
Positive Promotions, Fire Prevention	161.79
Postmaster, Newton, NH, Postage	44.00
Ralph A. DiBernado, Sr., Training	100.00
Rescue Training International, LLC	55.00
Richards Steel & Iron, Inc.	50.00
Roberts Company, Inc.	95.99
Route 108 General Store, Gas, Supplies	785.27
Sam's Club, Supplies	260.83
Seacoast Chief Fire Officers Association	145.00
Senter Auto Supply, Vehicle Supplies	370.69

Staples Credit Plan, Office Supplies	725.02	
START, Dues & Equipment Supplies	1,569.40	
Stitches n' Britches	26.00	
Sunoco, Gasoline	1,271.13	
Sunset Printing	522.54	
TCS Communications, Repairs	694.95	
The Home Depot, Equipment Supplies	411.80	
The Trailer Place, Equipment	322.00	
Thor Electronics	75.00	
Todd Bonita Illustrated	322.79	
Tri-C Manufacturing Company	134.00	
United Divers	460.90	
Verizon, Telephone	1,076.28	
WILDFIRE, Supplies	41.15	
Wildland Firefighter, Subscription	19.95	
William E. Ingalls, Reimbursement	209.56	
WorldPoint EEC, Inc.	711.90	
TOTAL	\$150,528.46	
Unexpended Balance		(\$51,765.30)
Encumbered Funds		\$47,792.76
Credits: Forest Fire State Refund	\$3,713.48	
Restitution	128.18	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$3,841.66
<u>Homeland Security Grant:</u>		\$7,863.93
Expenditures:		
Hazmat Safety Equipment Sales	\$2,588.93	
The Trailer Place	5,275.00	
Unexpended Balance		0
GENERAL ASSISTANCE		
Appropriation:		\$17,690.00
Expenditures:		
Connie M. Smith, Welfare Administrator	\$6,815.00	
Verizon, Telephone	343.25	
A.T.& T., Telephone	36.08	
N.H. Municipal Association, Manual	10.00	
Fuel	693.23	
Utilities	1,232.61	
Medical/Psychological	687.04	
Rental/ Mortgage	8,627.50	
TOTAL	18,444.71	
Overdraft		\$754.71
Credits: Recovery Check-Old Age Assistance	\$735.00	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$735.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		
Appropriation:		\$39,900.00
Expenditures:		

Don's Electric, Repairs	\$2,369.45	
Duston Oil Company/Difeo-Duston	7,127.59	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Company/Unitil	11,762.80	
Fitzpatrick & Son Plumbing & Heating	708.89	
Greg Tattan, Repairs	650.00	
Harold's Locksmith, Repairs	235.00	
Higgins Snowplowing	1,429.00	
JC Sales, Improvement & Repairs	1,884.00	
Keane Fire & Safety Equipment Company	47.75	
LaVallee Landscaping	2,700.00	
M. Cote Home Improvements	580.00	
Nancy J. Wrigley, Reimbursement	98.76	
Newton Supply	3.00	
Palmer Gas Company, Inc.	3,008.79	
Petty Cash	61.49	
Poland Spring, Water & Supplies	470.50	
Royalty Clean, Cleaning Services	3,505.00	
Sam's Club, Paper Goods & Supplies	544.60	
ServPro	150.80	
Staples Credit, Supplies	319.76	
The Home Depot, Supplies	25.86	
Treasurer, State of NH, Inspections	551.71	
Union Flag Company	61.00	
Waste Management of NH-Rochester, Dumpster	931.33	
Wright Alarm	95.00	
TOTAL	\$39,322.08	
Unexpended Balance		(\$577.92)

HEALTH OFFICER

Appropriation:		\$13,428.00
Expenditure:		
Robert R. Leverone, Fees Earned	\$10,915.00	
TOTAL	\$10,915.00	
Unexpended Balance		(\$2,513.00)
Credits: Fees Collected	\$9,665.00	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$9,665.00

HIGHWAY - SUMMER

Appropriation:		\$131,650.00
Credit: Highway Block Grant	\$73,817.23	
Expenditures:		
Bell & Flynn	\$427.50	
Brox Industries	782.76	
Gibbs Construction, Inc.	27,434.13	
Highway Maintenance Salaries	26,780.46	
Kingston Materials	2,945.04	
N.E. Barricade Corp., Signs	1,300.01	
Summit Signs	960.00	

TOTAL	\$60,629.90	
Unexpended Balance		(\$71,020.10)
Encumbered Funds		\$32,350.00

HIGHWAY - WINTER

Appropriation:		\$111,000.00
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Expenditures:

Adam J. Mazur, Jr. Construction, Inc.	\$3,965.00
Brox Industries	280.51
Clear View Logging	245.00
Charles R. Melvin, Jr., Plowing	8,368.00
Fred Wilson, Plowing	16,705.00
George G. Hamor, Plowing	4,080.00
Gibbs Construction, Inc.	65,510.44
Granite State Minerals	11,965.28
Highway Maintenance Salaries	7,654.68
James M. Benjamin, Plowing	7,367.75
Kevin Morecroft, Plowing	1,920.00
Kingston Materials	6,775.42
Phillip A. Ferrandi, Plowing	1,291.50
Rudolph R. Ferrandi, Plowing	1,332.50
Thor Electronics	260.00

TOTAL	\$137,721.08
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Overdraft		\$26,721.08
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INSURANCE

Appropriation:		\$60,390.00
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Expenditures:

Green Insurance Associates	\$3,502.24
N.H.M.A. Property Liability Ins. Trust	58,628.53
TOTAL	\$62,130.77

Overdraft		\$1,740.77
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Credits: NHMA-PLIT, 2003 Dividend	\$3,292.65
Worker's Compensation Audit Refund	9,015.04

TOTAL CREDITS:		\$12,307.69
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LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

Special Appropriation:		\$1,000.00
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Expenditure:

Lamprey Health Care	\$1,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,000.00

Unexpended Balance		0
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LEGAL EXPENSES

Appropriation:		\$25,000.00
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Expenditures:

Charlton J. Swasey	\$2,526.00
Connelly Reporting & Video Services	633.08
Donahue, Tucker, & Ciandella	85,856.96

TOTAL	\$89,016.04	
Overdraft		\$64,016.04

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation:		\$71,400.00
Expenditures:		
ADP, Social Security & Medicare Taxes	\$46,064.54	
N.H. Retirement System	17,093.12	
TOTAL	\$63,157.66	
Unexpended Balance		(\$8,242.34)

PLANNING BOARD

Appropriation:		\$36,500.00
Expenditures:		
A.T. & T., Telephone	\$326.32	
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, Legal Fees	2,556.43	
East Coast Office Machines	345.00	
NHMA, Training	45.00	
NHOSP-Planning	18.00	
Petty Cash	2,095.51	
Postmaster, Newton	68.00	
Protection One, Security Alarm	100.00	
Rockingham Planning Commission	9,255.00	
Secretary, Planning Board; Salary	13,748.30	
Stowe Telecom, Internet	26.60	
The Eagle Tribune, Legal Ads	1,431.44	
Verizon, Telephone	880.45	
TOTAL	\$30,896.05	
Unexpended Balance		(\$5,603.95)
Credits: Hearing Cost/Review Fees	\$11,866.00	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$11,866.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:		\$387,357.00
Expenditures:		
2 Way Communications, Radio/Radar Maint.	\$635.00	
A.T. & T., Telephone	2,290.46	
Adamson Industries	240.95	
Amesbury Animal Hospital	358.40	
Animal Care Equipment & Supplies	6.38	
Arch Wireless	263.08	
Arrest Law Bulletin	89.00	
Art & Camera	69.66	
Barbara Burri, Consultant	220.00	
Batteries.com	225.94	
Ben's Uniforms	2,347.50	
Blue Book, Training Materials	14.50	
Bump & Grind Auto Body	1,000.00	
CBE Tecnology, Office Supplies	111.78	
Cameron Office Products	109.95	

Central Equipment Company Inc.	128.00
Deirdre Wall, Dues	40.00
Drivers License Guide Company	54.25
Edgefield Veterinary Hospital	126.00
Estabrook's Garage, Gasoline & Repairs	579.40
Forensic Consulting Associates of N.E.	700.00
Freedom Tire, Tires & Service	538.28
G.W. Medical Publishing, Inc.	53.70
Gall's, Equipment Supplies	722.85
Granite State Business Machines, Supplies	1,141.35
Gray's Garage	145.15
Hampton Technical Services, Inc.	150.00
Harry Hull Auto Service, Vehicle Maint.	7,725.09
Hewlett-Packard Company, Office Supplies	30.67
IACP, Subscriptions/Dues	181.25
Information Management Corporation	4,380.00
Jacques Pesonnel, Recruiting	120.53
Jayne D. LeBlanc, Reimbursement	25.00
Johnson Lumber	36.90
Kellygraphics	150.00
Kimberly J. Mears, Reimbursement	792.37
King Graphics, Forms	340.50
Kustom Signals	45.00
Lawrence General Hospital	30.00
Lawrence E. Streeter, Reimbursement	53.33
Lawyers Diary and Manual, Office Supplies	50.50
Loral Press, Office Supplies	344.15
Maplewood Florist	135.00
Martha A. Wyatt, Reimbursement	69.39
Matthew Bender & Company, Inc.	249.75
McFarland Ford	144.32
Medtronic Physio-Control Corporation	504.48
Milestek Corporation	44.48
Mount Washington Hotel & Resort, Training	214.00
Mountain Club on Loon, Training	325.00
N.H. Association of Chiefs of Police, Dues	100.00
N.H. Chiefs of Police Secretaries Assoc.	25.00
Neptune, Inc., Uniforms	71.45
Newton Supply, Equipment Supplies	111.68
Nextel Communications	1,833.48
NHMA Health Trust, Dental Insurance	2,971.68
NHMA Health Trust, Medical Insurance	39,589.71
NHSPCA, Boarding & Care	390.00
NNEPAC, Subscriptions/Dues	50.00
Petro King	40.00
Petty Cash	588.40
Photo Stop, Film Developing & Supplies	16.49
Plaistow Powersports	489.91

Port Psychological Associates, Inc.	400.00	
Postmaster, Newton, NH, Postage	624.90	
Prudent Publishing, Supplies	83.23	
Psychotherapy Associates, Evaluations	275.00	
Quality Fire Protection, Inc.	74.45	
Regan Ford	184.92	
Reliable Office Products	6.75	
Richard E. Owens, Reimbursement	272.63	
Rockingham Cty Chiefs of Police Assn.	10.00	
Rockingham Cty Attorneys Office	6,066.64	
Route 108 General Store, Gasoline & Supplies	161.64	
Salaries: Administrative	48,778.58	
Animal Control Officer	7,800.00	
Chief	55,999.84	
Full-time Officers	124,052.83	
Overtime	10,397.83	
Part-time Officers	25,142.75	
Security Team	216.00	
Sign DeSigns	75.00	
Sirchie Finger Print Laboratories	43.06	
Source4, Inc., Office Supplies	101.32	
Staples Credit Plan, Supplies	3,293.63	
State of N.H., Training, Supplies	178.00	
Sunoco, Inc., Gasoline	8,801.20	
The Eagle Tribune	235.97	
The New England Institute, Training	800.00	
The Smith Group, Training	238.00	
TJ Conevera's, Inc., Ammunition	446.80	
Treasurer, State of N.H.	74.00	
UNH, ACO Training	250.00	
Verizon, Telephone	4,194.04	
Viking Office Products	47.33	
Walmart, Supplies	329.49	
TOTAL	\$374,286.92	
Unexpended Balance		(\$13,070.08)
Encumbered Funds		\$6,295.00
Credits: Court Fees	\$211.40	
Violations	485.00	
Pistol Permits	530.00	
Witness Fees	285.64	
Report Copies	330.00	
Insurance Payroll Deduction	14,104.48	
Donations	300.00	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$16,246.52
Homeland Security Grant:		\$3,845.50
Expenditures:		
Hazmat Safety Equipment Sales	\$3,845.50	
Unexpended Balance		0

<u>Under Age Drinking Patrol Grant:</u>		\$6,000.00
Monies Received in 2003:	\$2,099.53	
Payroll Expenditures:	\$3,768.72	
Unexpended Balance		\$2,231.28

<u>OHRV Patrol Grant:</u>		\$6,083.00
Monies Received in 2003:	\$0.00	
Payroll Expenditures:	\$2,391.03	
Unexpended Balance		\$3,691.97

POLICE SERVICES

Appropriation:		\$30,000.00
2003 Revenue: Police Service Details	\$42,468.92	

Expenditures:		
Police Service Detail - Full-time Officers	\$18,834.88	
Police Service Detail - Part-time Officers	15,091.75	
2002 Details Paid in 2003	2,476.95	
FICA - Employer's Share	935.68	
Medicare - Employer's Share	491.93	
N.H. Retirement Employer's Share	1,289.19	
Worker's Comp. Insurance	3,094.10	
Unemployment Comp. Insurance	254.44	
TOTAL	\$42,468.92	
Overdraft		\$12,468.92

RECREATION

Appropriation:		\$30,912.00
Expenditures:		
Brandy Rock Farm	\$200.00	
Chunky's	475.00	
Curious Creatures	240.00	
Exeter & Hampton Electric/Unitil	655.83	
Leo' Super Bowl	152.00	
Marine Rescue Products, Inc.	438.60	
Newton Supply, Equipment Supplies	40.58	
Oriental Trading, Program Supplies	268.55	
Red Iron Pony Farm, Grounds Maintenance	350.00	
Screamin' Green Lawn Service	3,250.00	
Sea Of Green Lawncare	505.00	
Secretary Salary	720.07	
Skateland	275.00	
Small World Communications	45.00	
Staples, Supplies	253.38	
Superior Sealcoating	485.00	
Town Beach Employee Salaries	14,446.40	
Treasurer, State of NH, Water Test	40.00	
Triangle Portable Services, Toilets	2,216.72	
Troop 91, BSA, Halloween Party	300.00	

USTA	25.00	
Walmart, Office & Program Supplies	793.00	
Waste Management of NH, Dumpster	1,244.12	
Westville Grand Rental Station	330.00	
TOTAL	\$27,749.25	
Unexpended Balance		(\$3,162.75)

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

Special Appropriation:		\$5,702.00
Expenditure:		
Rockingham County Community Action Program	\$5,702.00	
TOTAL	\$5,702.00	
Unexpended Balance		0

ROCKINGHAM VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION & HOSPICE

Special Appropriation:		\$5,678.00
Expenditure:		
Rockingham VNA & Hospice	\$5,678.00	
TOTAL	\$5,678.00	
Unexpended Balance		0

SEACARE HEALTH SERVICES

Special Appropriation:		\$2,000.00
Expenditure:		
SeaCare Health Services	\$2,000.00	
TOTAL	\$2,000.00	
Unexpended Balance		0

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AREA

Appropriation:		\$388,600.00
Expenditures:		
A.T. & T., Telephone	\$256.95	
Bob's Tire Company	347.00	
Custodian Salaries	46,737.75	
Cyber Junk	3,732.61	
ENCO Container Services, Inc.	115.00	
Gibbs Construction Inc., Dozer	368.25	
MB Tractor & Equipment	605.28	
New Hampshire Department of Corrections	115.00	
Northeast Quality Products Company, Inc.	980.00	
Northeast Resource Recovery, Dues/Recycle	1,367.65	
Newton Supply	22.81	
Paul Sweet, Environmental Clean-up	780.00	
Petty Cash	200.77	
R.W. Gillespie & Associates Inc.	5,432.78	
Richard Thibeault, d/b/a Ozone Savers	408.00	
Roger C. Clark, Reimbursement	523.73	
The Eagle Tribune	233.42	
The Home Depot, Repair Supplies	135.24	

Treasurer, State of N.H., Training	687.00	
Triangle Portable Services, Toilet	936.00	
Verizon, Telephone	381.23	
Waste Management of N.H.	295,151.03	
TOTAL	\$359,517.50	
Unexpended Balance		(\$29,082.50)
Encumbered Funds		\$12,000.00
Credits: Recycling - Mixed Paper	\$273.40	
Refund	7.59	
TOTAL CREDITS:		\$280.99

STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation:		\$10,000.00
Expenditure:		
Exeter & Hampton Electric/Unitil	\$15,744.72	
TOTAL	\$15,744.72	
Overdraft		\$5,744.72

VIC GEARY CENTER

Special Appropriation:		\$2,000.00
Expenditure:		
Vic Geary Center	\$2,000.00	
TOTAL	\$2,000.00	
Unexpended Balance		0

SPRINKLER SPECS - TOWN HALL - Article #7

Special Appropriation:		\$3,000.00
Expenditure:	\$0.00	
TOTAL	\$0.00	
Unexpended Balance		\$3,000.00

DIGITAL RADIO - PD - Article #13

Special Appropriation:		\$4,722.00
Expenditure:	\$0.00	
Equipment donated		
TOTAL	\$0.00	
Unexpended Balance		\$4,722.00

EDUCATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM-PD-Article #15

Special Appropriation:		\$3,100.00
Expenditures:		
Payroll	\$2,854.97	
TOTAL	\$2,854.97	
Unexpended Balance		\$245.03

DEFIBRILLATORS - FD - Article #17

Special Appropriation:		\$9,800.00
Expenditures:		
Medtronic Physio-Control Corp.	\$9,800.00	

TOTAL	\$9,800.00	
Unexpended Balance		0
WEST NILE VIRUS - Article #18		
Special Appropriation:		\$15,000.00
Expenditure:		
Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc.	\$15,000.00	
TOTAL	\$15,000.00	
Unexpended Balance		0
FAMILY MEDIATION - Article #24		
Special Appropriation:		\$5,479.00
Expenditure:		
Family Mediation & Juvenile Services	\$5,479.00	
TOTAL	\$5,479.00	
Unexpended Balance		0
DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS - Article #26		
Special Appropriation:		\$2,000.00
Expenditure:		
DAD, Inc.	\$2,000.00	
TOTAL	\$2,000.00	
Unexpended Balance		0
N.H.S.P.C.A. - Article #27		
Special Appropriation:		\$550.00
Expenditure:		
N.H.S.P.C.A.	\$550.00	
TOTAL	\$550.00	
Unexpended Balance		0

2003 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

ACE Fingerprint Equipment Labs - PD	\$780.00
Bell & Flynn - Summer Highway	32,350.00
Ben's Uniforms - PD	2,940.00
Central Equipment Company - PD	505.00
Dell Online - Financial Administration	899.00
Emergency One - FD	47,792.76
Hull Automotive - PD	1,200.00
IACP Net - PD	250.00
Kimball's Tree Service - Cemetery	2,200.00
Staples - PD	320.00
Walmart - PD	300.00
Waste Management of Rochester - SWDA	<u>12,000.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$101,536.76

GALE LIBRARY PAYMENTS

January 1, 2003 Through December 31, 2003

EMPLOYEE SALARIES	51,053.40
FICA/MEDICARE TAXES	3,905.56
AMAZON.COM, Books	97.34
AMC, Magazines	40.00
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, Dues	175.00
B&T, Entertainment	135.22
BAKER & TAYLOR, Books	6,308.72
BOB MOQUIN, Computer Maint.	220.95
BOOK LIST, Magazines	79.95
C. ROLLINS, Maintenance	315.00
CENTER POINT PUBLISHING, Books	425.00
CHILIS, Dues	20.00
CHILIS, Programming	35.50
CITICORP VENDOR FINANCE, Comp. Maint.	455.85
COASTAL OFFICE SERVICE, typewriter	8.00
CRAFTERS CHOICE, Book	84.70
DELUX BUSINESS FORMS, Office Supplies	48.84
DEMCO, INC., Office Supplies	52.89
EAGLE TRIBUNE, General	199.90
EBSCO SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES, Magazines	1,350.45
FRISKE FREE LIBRARY, Books	30.00
FACTS ON FILE, Books	72.23
FRANCES S MEARS, Library Expenditures	50.63
FRANCES S MEARS, Travel & Professional	80.00
FULLER PUBLIC LIBRARY, Books	16.95
G & E SECURITY, Equipment/Maintenance	806.40
GAYLORD BROS., Office Supplies	500.13
H.W. WILSON CO., Books	329.00
HELEN BURNHAM, Library Equipment	50.25
HELEN BURNHAM, Library Expenditures	300.00
HELEN BURNHAM, Travel & Professional	977.99
JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD, Books	1,105.20
KEANE FIRE& SAFETY EQUIPMENT CO.	96.70
KELLEY BLUE BOOKS, Books	112.00
LANDMARK AUDIOBOOKS, Audio/Visual	1,420.00
LESLEY SMITH, Children's Summer Program	525.00
LIBRARY JOURNAL, Magazines	129.00
LISA FORTIN, Travel & Professional	150.00
LISA FORTIN, Library Expenditures	162.72
LOOKOUT BOOKS, Books	55.80
MANUFACTUER'S NEW'S INC, Books	73.95
MARSHAL CAVENDISH CORP., Books	149.94
MATHEW BENDER& CO. INC, Books	60.80
MCI, Telephone	176.36

MERRI-HILL-ROCK COOP, Dues & Assoc.	35.00
NHEMA, Dues & Assoc.	180.00
NHLA, Dues & Assoc.	55.00
NHLTA, Dues & Assoc.	110.00
NORTHEAST INFORMATION CENTER, Periodicals	49.95
O' THE OPRAH MAGAZINE, Magazines	24.00
OLLIS BOOK CORP., Books	79.70
ONE STOP BUSINESSN CENTER, Office Supplies	273.03
OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, INC. Books	28.62
OXMOOR HOUSE, Books	134.55
POSTMASTER, Post Office Box	68.00
PUTNEY PRESS, Books	28.70
READS, Books	25.00
REIMAN PUBLICATIONS, Magazines	12.98
ROYALTY CLEANER, Janitorial	1,250.00
SAGEBRUSH, Supplies	527.95
SEACOAST NEWSPAPERS, General	22.95
SEACOAST LOCK & SAFE COMPANY, new locks	150.00
STAPLES, Supplies	714.33
SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS,	55.00
TASTE OF HOME, Books	48.97
TASTE OF HOME, magazine	76.74
TERRY CASWELL, Travel & Professional	86.93
TERRY CASWELL, Library Expenditures	169.15
THE NEW HAMPSHIRE LABOR LAW, poster	65.25
THOMPSON WEST	77.00
TOWER PUBLISHING, Books	90.50
TTLC, Computer Maintenance	395.00
VERIZON, Telephone	1,927.62
WORLD BOOK DIRECT MARKETING,	34.40
WORLD BOOK ENCYLCOPEDIA, INC., Books	34.40
WORLD BOOK INCORPERATED	1,542.00
YOUNG ADULT RESOURCES	150.78
OVERALL TOTAL	80,966.82

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

During the year 2003 the Board of Selectmen was faced with many issues which were both controversial and complicated. We felt it would be beneficial if we gave an overview of what was done and where the Town stands now.

At the March 2003 Town Meeting we asked the voters for some direction on the issue of plowing private roads. We were told to stop plowing them and we did. There have been discussions about accepting Wenmarks Road as a Town Road so it could be plowed. We are waiting to see a plan and deed language before going any further. At this time it is still a private road.

We also asked Town Meeting about selling the portion of the Peanut Trail involved in the lawsuit between the Town and Nicol Farm. The voters did not want to do this. Because of that we were not able to reach a settlement and avoid going to trial. As you may be aware we did go to trial in June, for seven days in Superior Court. The Town's legal cost for the attorneys defending the Town's ownership of the Peanut Trail during the trial was about \$25,000. The nuisance portion of the suit was handled by an attorney provided by our insurer at no cost to the Town as a result of the Town suing them for coverage. At the conclusion of the trial the judge decided to rule on the ownership and ruled in the Town's favor. This left the jury dealing only with the nuisance claim. They found \$150,000 in past damages and \$250,000 for future damages for a total of \$400,000. Because this was far more than they had anticipated, the insurer decided to appeal to the State Supreme Court. The Town being bound by contract to cooperate in reducing the insurer's costs or having coverage denied could not prevent the appeal. This is when things really began to get complicated.

At the end of the Superior Court trial the Town was in a favorable position, the Peanut Trail ownership had been successfully defended as directed by the voters, and we had insurance for the damage award. The wording of the award also protected the Town from any future nuisance claims by Nicol Farm.

As a result of the Town's appeal of the nuisance award, Nicol Farm cross-appealed the ownership ruling. It should be noted the ownership issue hinges on interpretation of the word "or" in an 1867 railroad law and how that interpretation affects the meaning of deeds written in 1872 and our experts agree any ruling could go either way.

The appeal puts the Town at considerable risk. If the ownership were reversed we would be sent back to Superior Court for a new trial on a "taking" issue. A "taking" occurs when a Town uses property that it doesn't technically own without compensating the true owners. We would bear the cost of the trial and any settlement award, as insurance is not available for "taking" claims. This would also put the remaining 1 1/2 miles of the Peanut Trail in jeopardy. If the "future damages" is modified the Town could be subject to nuisance claims by Nicol Farm in years to come. As a result of this court case the insurer has removed nuisance coverage from its policies in New Hampshire, so the Town would not have insurance for any future claims.

On Friday, January 9, 2004, Newton Selectmen and attorneys, owners of the Nicol Farm and their attorneys, and attorneys representing the New Hampshire Municipal Association Property Liability Trust, Inc. met with Mediator William Mulvey. The goal of this mediation was to reach an agreement between all three parties to end all litigation related to the Peanut Trail.

The January 9th mediation was successful. After eight hours of intense negotiation, an agreement was reached. Because the interest on the jury's award of \$400,000 goes back to when the suit was filed in 2001 the current actual amount is \$460,000. Part of the agreement is that the Trust will pay the Nicol Farm \$340,000 and they will accept that amount as full payment. Further the Selectmen have agreed to sponsor and promote a warrant article asking the Town to approve the sale, to the Nicol Farm, of the section of the Peanut Trail abutting their property. The Nicol Farm has agreed to pay the Town \$65,000 for that section of the Trail. The Nicol Farm will also give the Town a "hold harmless" agreement for damage to farm property as a result of access from all adjacent Town owned land. The "hold harmless" agreement means the Nicol Farm can never sue the Town again for any future damages caused to their property by people coming on to it from Town owned land, which was the issue resulting in the \$400,000 award by the Superior Court jury. All parties have agreed to stop litigation, meaning the Trust and Nicol Farm will withdraw their appeals to State Supreme Court and the Town will drop its suit against the Trust.

The Selectmen firmly believe this agreement represents the best option for the Town, both in the short and long term. In the past five years the Town has spent over \$100,000 in legal fees related to the Peanut Trail. The June trial alone cost \$25,000. Supreme Court defense is estimated to be another \$10,000 to \$15,000. Depending on what action the Supreme Court takes, additional costs could be as much or more than what has already been spent. This settlement will end the Town's Peanut Trail legal expenses. One of the most important components of the agreement is the "hold harmless", as the Nicol Farm has proven they can be successful at suing for nuisance damage and the Town no longer has insurance coverage for this type of claim. Leaving the ownership ruling in the Town's favor allows the Town to retain use of the remainder of the trail and does not open the door for claims of ownership by other parties.

The agreement is contingent on Newton Town Meeting approval of the warrant article authorizing sale of that portion of the Peanut Trail. If the voters do not authorize the sale, all appeals will continue to proceed to State Supreme Court and the Town's lawsuit with the Trust will continue.

This past year the NHDOT rebuilt the railroad bridge on Pond Street. We now have a brand new bridge rated for 8 tons instead of an old falling down one rated for 8 tons. NHDOT continues to ask the Town to accept ownership of the bridge. The voters have spoken three times on this and the Selectmen have decided not to ask again. We will all have to wait and see what happens at the end of the 10-year maintenance period. Hopefully everyone will remember the NHDOT accepted ownership of the bridge in the name of the Town without any consultation with the Town.

We revoked Country Pond Fish and Game Club's tax exempt status and they are suing the Town over it. This case is waiting for a court date. One of the most important responsibilities Selectmen have is the fair and equal taxation of property. When for any reason some one doesn't pay their share the amount they should have paid gets shifted onto other taxpayers who may already be paying more than their share. We devote much energy and attention to preventing this from happening and correcting it when it does.

One of the best ways to prevent this type of unequal taxation is to have the data from which the taxes are computed as accurate as possible. To that end we have been conducting assessing data verification of properties. Our plan is to do one quarter of the town each year for four years, this being the best balance between cost and efficiency. Through the power of computers we are able to randomly select 25% out of each of the 17 tax maps. This represents about 425 properties per year. When all of the properties have been done we will be able to do a revaluation in the fourth year with accurate data. This will ensure the Town meets the New Hampshire constitutional requirement of reassessing every five years.

Under the Town Meeting format of "SB2" when we set up the proposed operating budget for the next year we must also set up a "default" budget in case the voters turn down the operating budget. The default budget is, by law, the previous year's budget with "certain adjustments". Newton's voters gave us default budgets two years in a row. Last year the proposed operating budget was one dollar more than the default amount and was approved. This year the difference is much larger. What we are allowed to put in the default is at the discretion of the Department of Revenue Administration and is not specifically spelled out in the law. As personnel changes what is allowed changes also, making the default budget inconsistent from year to year.

All of the budgets presented, both default and operating, for the past five or six years have required the management practice of deferred maintenance on Town buildings and infrastructure. For example the roof on the police station wasn't re-shingled until it leaked, then only the side, which leaked, was repaired. This practice is contrary to good management and the Capital Improvement Plan, which was approved by the voters, but not funded.

We do our best to present the facts and explain the consequences of voting yes or no on every issue and then follow the direction given to us. Regardless it is always a privilege to serve on your Board of Selectmen.

Stephen M. Cushing, Chairman
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

POLICE DEPARTMENT

During the past year, the Newton Police Department has been busy reevaluating, reassessing, and realigning itself in order to be completely responsible and responsive to the needs of the Town of Newton. During the past five (5) years, the department had suffered a one hundred (100) percent personnel turnover. While turnover in any business is typically an assumed and healthy process, this turnover percentage indicated that there was a problem somewhere in the system. The problem, therefore, was to find a solution which was responsive to the needs of the department and its personnel, but also responsible and fair to the taxpayer.

With the support and hard work of the Board of Selectmen, supporting Town staff, and onboard police department personnel, the department has been able to provide around-the-clock, professional police coverage for the past several months. Anyone who has ever dealt with twenty-four (24) hour personnel coverage issues knows that this is a task in and of itself. The fact that we were also able to complete the task within a few-month period, within budget, and actually return a substantial amount of money back to the Town's general fund is an accomplishment that the department is proud of.

With the support of the Town, we have begun a system of responsible professional personnel enrichment and growth, nurtured a philosophy of personnel buy-in and ownership, and we have fostered a mindset of taxpayer accountability.

While our immediate goal was to become healthy on the inside, our objective is to become a department that embodies and supports the spirit and character of the Town of Newton. While doing all the routine things a typical police department does, we also have supported and participated in a number of community events and programs. Through grants, we established additional police patrols targeting underage drinking and OHRV abuse. Through community donations, we established a bike patrol for neighborhood watch issues. We established, supported, and/or participated in a number of community events, including an Identity Theft presentation, school programs including child seat belt safety, child identification program, risk programs and an overall philosophy of working with the schools on a day-to-day basis to enhance public safety and promote a true sense of "community." We have also maintained our support and involvement in community conservation issues and social service outreach, including coordination, collection and distribution of items for the needy.

I want to thank the people of Newton for truly accepting me as the police chief, and for accepting me and my family as part of the community. With your continued support, I hope that over the next several years the police department can continue to be an increasingly integral and valued member of the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence E. Streeter
Chief of Police

2003 POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

ARRESTS:

Aggravated Assault	2	Forgery	2
All Other Offenses	18	Fraud	11
All Other Thefts	2	Harassment, Other	17
Arson	1	Harassment, Phone	15
Bad Checks	1	Juvenile Problem	65
Criminal Trespass	2	Lockout, Motor Vehicle	4
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	1	Lockout, Residential	2
Drug Equipment Violations	7	Mail Tampering	4
Drug/Narcotic Violations	12	Mental Incompetent	2
DWI	13	Message Delivery	35
False Pretenses/Swindle	3	Missing Person	15
Intimidation	1	Motor Vehicle Accident	57
Liquor Law Violations	7	Motor Vehicle Stop	1427
Protective Custody (Drunkenness)	16	Motor Vehicle Theft	4
Simple Assault	9	Motor Vehicle, Abandoned	20
Statutory Rape	1	Motor Vehicle, Other	87
Traffic/Town By-Law Offenses	61	Motor Vehicle, Speed/Reckless	87
Weapon Law Violations	1	Mutual Aid	198
TOTAL ARRESTS:	158	Neighbor Dispute	15

CALLS FOR SERVICE:

911 Hangup/Abandoned Call	78	Noise Complaint	24
Administrative, Other	1441	Non-Criminal	20
Alarm	124	OHRV Complaint	45
Alcohol Related	4	OHRV Patrol	45
Animal Complaint	556	Parking Complaint	37
Assault	4	Police Information	252
Assist Fire Department	40	Property Damage, Unknown Cause	8
Assist Motorist	48	Property, Lost	16
Assist Other Agency	180	Property, Recovered	21
Assist Rescue	181	Public Assist	202
Bad Check	15	Report Writing	187
Bomb Scare	1	Reported Hazard	157
Burglary	12	Robbery	1
Business Check	1197	School Crosswalk	107
Civil Dispute (Domestic)	16	Serve Paperwork	323
Civil Problem	32	Serve Warrant	20
Civil Standby	17	Sex Offender Registration	2
Court	52	Sex Offenses	5
Criminal Mischief	46	Shoplifting	1
Criminal Threatening	12	Smoke/Fire Investigation	19
Criminal Trespass	6	Suicide	1
Cruiser Maintenance	718	Suicide, Attempted	1
Death, Unattended	2	Suicide, Threatened	4
Directed Patrol	1408	Suspicious Circumstance	97
Disturbance	38	Suspicious Vehicle	106
Domestic Disturbance	38	Theft	45
Domestic Related	20	Tree Down/Wires Down	21
		Truancy Check	30
		Underage Drinking Patrol	341
		Unsecured Building	3

Drug Related	5	Use of Force	1
Dumping, Illegal	12	Vacation Watch	197
Escort/Transport	9	VIN Verification	47
Fight/Brawl	4	Weapon Related	15
Fingerprint Non-Criminal	18	Well-Being Check	39
Fireworks Complaint	4		
Followup	573	TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	11,418

FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would first like to take this opportunity to thank all the officers and firefighters of the department for the support they have given me in my first year as Chief. I also would like to thank the citizens of Newton for their **continued** support.

I have taken a new approach to the job of Fire Chief by looking at the position as more of an administrator, overseeing the "paperwork" part of the job (i.e. inspections, grants, budgets, etc.). This gives my officers a chance to handle the command at emergency situations. And I will say they are doing an excellent job.

The department received 2 grants this year. The first was a "Domestic Preparedness" Equipment Grant for \$2,600, which was used to buy decontamination equipment. The second one was from "Homeland Security" for \$5,300. It was used to buy an enclosed trailer for transporting Haz-Mat and Rescue equipment. A third grant application was submitted and approved from "Homeland Security" to be used in 2004.

We were very fortunate this year to add 7 new people, 2 of which are nationally registered EMT's. Also, one of our firefighters received his paramedic certification. We can now operate at the Advanced Life Support level of care.

In closing, I would like to say that the Fire Department and myself look forward to serving the citizens of Newton with the up most professionalism and respect in 2004. If anyone has any comments, questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call.

Remember, smoke detectors save lives and please display your house number.

◆ Vital Statistics – 2003

FIRE CALLS:

Emergency Medical Calls	246	Unauthorized Burning	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	28	Assist Police	8
Structure (inc. chimney fires)	3	Odor Investigation	2
Tree, Brush, Grass	3	Spill or Leak	2
Vehicle Fires	1	Carbon Monoxide Incident	2
Alarm Activation	11	Lock-out	2
Cover Assignment	22	Authorized Controlled Burn	6
Smoke Scare	8	Water Problem	3
Arcing, Shorting Elec. Equip.	19	Assist the Public	1
Building Collapse	1	Lightning Strike (no fire)	2

Total Calls as of 12/30/03 375

Direct Property Loss (Approx.)	\$10,000
Total Number Oil Burner Permits Issued	12
Total Number Solid Fuel Permits Issued	6

Respectfully,
William E. Ingalls
FIRE CHIEF

◆ Rescue Squad

The Newton Fire Department continues to provide quality medical care to the residents of Newton. This is evident by our commitment to training. In addition to the department monthly training classes, EMS personnel have also attended over 1000 hours of continuing education.

There are 19 members of the fire department who are trained in emergency medical care. We have 5 First Responders, 8 Emergency Medical Technicians, 5 Emergency Medical Technician Intermediates and 1 Paramedic.

The Rescue Squad responded to 246 medical aid calls and 28 motor vehicle accidents that resulted in treating 312 patients.

2003 Statistics

Cardiac Arrest	7	Seizures	7
Chest Pain	32	Back Pain	16
Cardiovascular Accident	6	Choking	2
Trauma	4	Vomiting	5
Patient Refusals	57	General Weakness	21
Overdose	5	Assault	7
Diabetic Reaction	4	Dizziness	5
Allergic Reaction	10	Behavioral	13
Unconscious	2	Eye Injuries	1
Fractures	3	Nose Bleed	4
Lacerations	14	Asthma	2
Falls	36	Public Assist	6
Abdominal Pain	13	Difficulty Breathing	23
CO2 Alarm Detector	3	Dog Bite	3
		Neurological	1
Total Medical Calls	246		
Motor Vehicle Accidents	28		
Motor Vehicle Accident Patients	66		

Respectfully submitted,
Dale G. Putnam EMT-I
Captain Newton Fire Department

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wild-land fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local forest Fire Warden or fire Department to find out if a permits is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding area) is completely covered with snow. Violations of the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, in addition to the cost of suppressing the fire.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning. Contact the NH Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information.

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and making sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at www.nhdf1.org or call 271-2217 for wild-land fire safety information.

2003 FIRE STATISTICS (includes all fires reported through November 03, 2003)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	40	4.86
Carroll	46	13.99
Cheshire	8	.68
Coos	7	17.40
Grafton	22	12.60
Hillsborough	60	11.34
Merrimack	98	10.45
Rockingham	56	18.54
Strafford	34	7.94
Sullivan	3	2.03

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	10
Campfire	25
Children	13
Smoking	20
Debris	226
Railroad	3
Lightning	2
Equipment	8
Misc*	67
(*Misc powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)	

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2003	374	100
2002	540	187
2001	942	428
2000	516	149

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES!

GALE LIBRARY REPORT

2003 was very eventful at the Gale Library. The year began with wintry-themed Story Hours for our young patrons presented by our Children's Librarian, Mrs. Sue Mears. Sue has been a tremendous asset to the library with her warm and delightful personality. Children and parents alike look forward to hearing her stories and creating memorable crafts. Mrs. Mears serves a dual role, as she was promoted to Assistant Director this year. Our friendly, knowledgeable staff at the Gale are eager to assist patrons with their reading requests and research projects.

Mrs. Helen Burnham left her position of Library Director to accept a position in Exeter, NH that was beneficial to her career. Mrs. Theresa Caswell was welcomed back in September 2003, to begin her duties as the new Library Director. Theresa was a former Assistant Director who had previously been employed at the Gale Library from 1997-2000. During her absence, she was employed at the University of New Hampshire in the Dimond Library, and also as a library employee for an Intermediate School in the state of New Jersey. She has acquired knowledge of varied methods and styles regarding library information and services. Theresa wishes to thank staff and patrons who have welcomed her back to Newton, NH.

The Summer Reading Program, "Reading Rocks the Granite State", was very well-attended and had programs related to the subject of rocks. The six-week program ran from the beginning of July to Aug. 12. The grand finale included a delicious, make-your-own ice cream sundae party.

The library has added a new DVD collection for patrons to enjoy. This media format is becoming increasingly popular, and we would like to accommodate this technology advancement. As monies allow, we will add titles to the circulation collection.

In addition, many new book titles, CD's, videotapes, and audiobooks were purchased for the library. With over 2,900 patrons in our current database, the library strives to be a resource that is constantly updating and upgrading our services. Statistics have been compiled for this report.

This past summer, the computer system sustained damage to the motherboard after being struck by lightning. After much assistance from Mr. Bob Moquin, the library was back up and running. Adelphia cable has been installed and will allow special programming and Internet service for the future.

Window pulleys were replaced in the entire library and job tasks were completed to improve the efficiency and safety of the building. This coming year, we will continue the ongoing process of maintaining and preserving our historical library facility. With an older building, such as this, the challenges are many. We will do our best to offer a resource center that is available for both information and community spirit.

The Friends of the Gale Library have expressed their generosity once again, by purchasing a new intercom system for the staff of the library. This will enable us to communicate between the two floors more effectively. A new file cabinet is on the way for our vertical file information. The Children's Room will have their request for new tables and chairs granted. We wish to thank them for all they do to benefit the library.

Numerous donations were received from the patrons of the Gale Library. Books, audiobooks, CD's, and VHS tapes were accepted to help stretch our budget dollars. We offer a variety of materials, which give patrons a wide selection to choose from. The Food for Fines month allowed us to send three large parcels to a local food pantry. The Angel Tree gift tags were collected and items purchased to help make a child's Holiday special.

The staff and trustees welcome the opportunity to serve you in 2004. We hope to see you soon.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa E. Caswell
Library Director

Margaret Nally, Chairperson
Rebecca McGowan, Secretary
Susan Babb, Treasurer
Beverly Batchelder, Alternate
Board of Trustees

◆ Statistics

TOTAL REGISTERED USERS: 2,927

CIRCULATION: 23,066

Adult Fiction 4,129
 Adult Non Fiction 1,642
 Adult Paperbacks 306
 Large Print Books 196
 Periodicals 2,095
 VHS 3,960
 CDS 438
 Audio Cassettes/Books 774
 DVDs 52

USAGE OF EQUIPMENT: 836

Museum Passes 0
 Internet Access 297
 Productivity Station 34

INTERLIBRARY LOAN: 307

Books borrowed from NH libraries: 147

Books loaned to other NH libraries: 160

Juvenile Fiction 1,497
 Juvenile Non Fiction 1,159
 Juvenile Paperbacks 318
 Early Reader Fiction 4,684
 Early Reader Non Fiction 758
 Early Reader Paperback 638
 Juv/Early Audio 309
 Miscellaneous Materials 111

Meeting Room Use 389
 Tables/Chairs 26

TOTAL CIRCULATION & USAGE: 23,959

BOOKS ADDED: 1,277

Gifts/Donations: 372
 Reference: 43
 Purchased: 862

2003 LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Story Hours
 Book Review Circle
 Evening Story Hours
 Angel Tree
 School Outreach Programs
 Read Across America

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Reading Rocks the Granite State
 Dinosaur and Rock Crafts
 Rock Talk
 Volcanoes

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Meetings Attended: 40

LIBRARY FINE FUNDS:

Balance January 1, 2003 \$1,868.62
 Fines Fund Received \$1,403.71
 Balance as of 12/31/03 \$3,272.33

AUDIO/VISUAL ADDED: 173

VHS: 94
 Audiobooks/cassettes: 49
 CDs: 13
 DVDs 17

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 1965

Crafts
 First Graders' Night
 Young Adult Activities
 April Open House
 Art Show
 Winter Reading

Lesley Smith Puppets
 Ice Cream Finale
 Dino, Rock & Prehistoric
 Dino Contests

Respectfully submitted,
 Theresa E. Caswell
 LIBRARY DIRECTOR

BUILDING INSPECTOR

The Building Department experienced a quiet commercial season and a busy season for home improvements, additions and renovations. Don Kizirian is performing the majority of the field inspections while Mike DiBartolomeo is handling the office and research.

Thank you for helping us to create a safer community.

New Homes	7	Swimming Pools	9
Remodeling/Additions	112	Well/Pump	14
Sheds	18	Electrical	109
Occupancy Permits	5	Plumbing	36
Middle School Modulares	2	Cell Tower	1

Respectfully submitted,
Michael J. DiBartolomeo & Donald E. Kizirian
BUILDING INSPECTORS

ROAD AGENT

The winter of 2003 was a costly season for the small Town of Newton with a snowstorm accumulating almost every weekend. In the month of May, the snow had finally stopped falling. That's when we could start concentrating on the summer work ahead.

As the year progressed, the highway department worked hard trying to free up clogged culverts in town because of an ongoing beaver problem. We also replaced a collapsed culvert on Smith Corner Road in 2003. While doing so, we found many other culverts that will need major attention in 2004.

Safety is an issue for everyone. In 2003, we raised the entrance to Howard Lane for better site distance on the busy Route 108. We also planned on resurfacing Pond Street and Chase Road but the weather didn't hold up in our favor. That work has been added to the list to be done in 2004 along with a few other roads.

2004 is indeed going to be another busy year for the town. Our intention is to work hard to get all the jobs completed. The general maintenance that is being addressed weekly from the highway department road crew helps in every way. Whether it is cutting brush to replacing signs, it is one step closer to being a better town.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank E. Gibbs
ROAD AGENT

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Newton Conservation Commission meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month, in the upper rear office at Town Hall. Meetings are held at 7:00 PM during EST and at 7:30 PM during EDST. All meetings are open to the public and interested people are encouraged to attend.

As we go to press with our annual report, the Conservation Easement on Hidden Acres Farm is becoming a reality. The easement was signed by the Board of Selectmen and property owner, Forrest Reynolds, on December 5, 2003. The final "closing" and exchange of paperwork will happen in mid January. This is a historic milestone for the Town as this is the first conservation easement it will hold. There are, a multitude of people to thank for saving this unique and special part of our past and future. First and foremost is Forrest Reynolds who had been seeking a way to protect his farm from development for many, many years, and willingly accepted much less than the appraised market value for the easement, demonstrating his lifelong commitment to conservation. Of the many who helped with the paperwork, grant applications, warrant articles, groundwork, and endless meetings, Selectman and Conservation Commission member Mary Marshall, stands out. Her perseverance and determination to bring the right people together and bring them back together when things broke down, kept this process moving for over four years while the details were worked out and resulted in the successful outcome which will benefit us all forever.

There is one other group whose support needs to be acknowledged - the voters of Newton. They clearly made saving this farm a community effort and made an unselfish gift to the future with their taxes. So when you travel along Thornell Road and are thanking those who helped save the tree and stonewall lined fields, thank yourself too. We couldn't have done it without you.

This past year saw the departure of long time member and chairman Donna Cushing. Donna worked hard for many years helping the Conservation Commission meet its obligation to protect the natural resources of the Town and we will miss her commitment and energy.

We continue to work with the Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program grant at the Busch Farm property on North Main Street and encourage residents to explore this unique parcel of 47 acres they bought and set aside to enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,
Trisha McCarthy
Chairman

BOARD OF HEALTH

The following permits were issued through this Department.

Septic Systems:

Residential	
New Construction	20
Replacement/Repair	15
Commercial	2
<u>Building Permits</u>	11
<u>Occupancy</u>	14
<u>Day Care</u>	2

All permits were issued in compliance with Town and State requirements.

The annual water testing of Country Pond was conducted and was found to be acceptable by State standards at the beginning of the swimming season. Should swimming be prohibited signs will be posted at the entrance to the town beach and public boat launching areas. Residents should be aware of any **posting** at town access points.

Protect your family and test your well water quality, contaminants found in New Hampshire well waters have included: arsenic, bacteria, fluoride, nitrate, radon, radium and volatile organic compounds. These contaminants do not have taste, odor, or color. Residents are encouraged to have their domestic water tested annually by a state certified lab. You may obtain a sampling bottle with instructions through this office.

All concerns regarding potential health issues submitted to this Office were addressed and findings reported back to the Office of Selectmen.

Since state health officials continue to confirm positive test results in various parts of the town as well as throughout the state for the WNV this past year, they urge residents to eliminate mosquito-breeding opportunities around their homes this spring by taking the following steps:

- Remove all discarded tires. The used tire has become the most important domestic mosquito producer in the country.
- Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots, or similar water holding containers.
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers that are left out of doors.
- Make sure gutters drain properly.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs. If not in use keep empty and covered.
- Drain water from pool covers.
- Aerate ornamental pools or stock them with fish. Water gardens are fashionable but become major mosquito producers if they are allowed to stagnate.
- Turn over plastic wading pools when not in use.
- Turn over wheelbarrows and change water in birdbaths at least twice weekly.

- Eliminate any standing water that collects on your property. Use landscaping as needed.

Anyone wishing to learn more about West Nile Virus may call the Department of Health and Human Services, West Nile Virus Information Line at (866) 273-6453 or login at www.dhhs.state.nh.us

Should you have any question or concerns you may contact me at any time. You may reach me through the Selectmen's Office at 382-4405 or Pager 603-467-0005.

It has been my pleasure serving you as Health Officer for the past year and I will continue to enforce the Public Health Laws and rules in the future in order to safeguard the Public Health for the Town Of Newton.

Respectfully submitted
Robert R. Leverone
Health Officer

APPEALS BOARD

The Board of Appeals heard three requests for variances and one request for an administrative appeal in 2003. The three variances were approved and the one administrative appeal was denied.

Jack Kozec and Alan French attended several of the Municipal Law Lecture Series. This helps to keep the board abreast of any new land use issues.

Any legal questions by the board have been referred to the New Hampshire Municipal Association at no additional cost to the town. This has eliminated the need in 2003 for any legal fees by the ZBA.

The Board of Appeals meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall starting at 7:30 PM. The public is welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas R. McElroy, Chairman
BOARD OF APPEALS

NEWTON WELFARE OFFICE AND FOOD PANTRY

The Welfare Office and Food Pantry is open on a "need basis". The Welfare Office provides education, resources, and direct services. This past year, the Welfare Office was able to help many families who were struggling financially. The Food Pantry was able to provide food baskets for residents at both Thanksgiving and Christmas. The generosity of private citizens, churches and schools made the holidays brighter for many.

Throughout the year, the Food Pantry is stocked with a variety of items. If you are in need of help, contact me at 382-0398. As always, confidentiality is maintained.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Smith
Newton Welfare Agent

NCAT-20

The Cable Committee is pleased to announce that the Adelphia Re-built has been completed and high-speed Internet service is now available to the town. Adelphia is also offering many more new services and channels.

The Cable Committee is still working with Adelphia in an attempt to make NCAT-20 available to both Newton and Kingston.

Adelphia's financial problems are still in Chapter 11 and there is no further word as to how that will be resolved.

The Cable Committee would like to remind the town residents that channel 20 is the town channel and anyone that would like to submit a tape for viewing may contact one of the committee members. We are also currently seeking new members for the Committee. We meet once a month to discuss issues and policies.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew P. Morse, Chairman
Newton Cable Committee

CURRENT USE ACREAGE – 2003

Tax Map	Property Owner	Code * +	Acre/Description
005-06-006	Anderson, Steven W.		11.00A Forest-Unmgd, 10.50A Wetland, Pond
009-04-005	Anderson, Thomas J.		11.50A Forest-Unmgd, Currierville Road
017-02-020	Axtin Revocable Trust, Leo J. Jr.		5.00A Wetland, 15.90A Forest-Unmgd, Bear Hill Road
012-02-022	Baker Living Trust		2.00A Farm Land, 49.86A Forest-Unmgd, Thornell Road
012-06-003-2	Bearce, Chester E.		11.26A Forest-Unmgd, 3.68A Unproductive, South Main Street
012-06-014-1	Bearce, Chester E.		8.66A Farm Land, 1.20A Unproductive, Merrimac Road
012-06-012	Bearce, Winifred		10.30A Farm Land, Merrimac Road
008-02-017-22	Bockus, Charles L.		10.85A Unproductive Land, Williamine Drive
011-05-028	Bowen, Howard & Jeannette		22.00A Unproductive Land, South Main St.
006-03-003	Byers, Ann & Harry, III		24.00A Forest-Unmgd, off Bartlett Street
006-12-003	Byers, Ann & Harry, III		25.95A Forest-Unmgd, off Bartlett Street
006-12-003-1	Byers, Ann & Harry, III		24.14A Forest-Unmgd, Bartlett Street
004-06-003	Cleary, Sarah/Marden, Charles		55.00A Forest-Unmgd, Heath Street
008-02-017-18	Connelly, James R.		10.01A Forest-Mgd, Williamine Drive
012-06-003	CPM Realty Trust		27.00A Forest-Unmgd, 2.22A Farm, 3.00A Unproductive Wetland, South Main Street
008-02-013	Crossman, Raymond H. & Carol E.		22.60A Wetland, Smith Corner Road
007-03-014+	EML Builders, Inc.		22.03A Forest-Unmgd, George's Way
013-02-016	Father and Son Realty Trust		5.20A Forest-Unmgd, 3.40A Wetland, Peaslee Crossing Road
013-02-017-9	Father and Son Realty Trust		3.70A Wetland, Peaslee Crossing Road
005-01-001-2	Ferrara, Joseph W. & Robert J.		1.36A Forest-Unmgd, Country Pond Road
006-02-001	Ferrara, Joseph W. & Robert J.		14.03A Forest-Unmgd, Country Pond Road
010-05-011-1	Fitzgerald Family Revocable Trust		18.00A Forest-Unmgd, Amesbury Road
006-09-006	Foy, James M.		32.00A Forest-Unmgd, 20.00A Wetland, Thornell Road
006-09-006-4	Foy, James M. & Sandra P.		17.56A Forest-Unmgd, 4.00A Wetland, Thornell Road
013-05-002	Gordon, Leetrice, Dale & Kimberly		10.00A Forest-Unmgd, South Main Street
009-03-015	Gundersen, Frederick B.		25.00A Forest-Unmgd, Gale Village Road
011-05-027	Hanson, John A. & Margery R.		10.40A Forest-Unmgd, 3.00A Wetland, Thornell Road
012-01-004	Hanson, John A. & Margery R.		27.79A Forest-Unmgd, Thornell Road
006-09-008	Heer, Daniel N.		5.00A Forest Unmgd, 8.00A Wetland, Thornell Road
008-02-005	Hoehn, Frederick A. Jr.		36.59A Forest-Unmgd, Smith Corner
009-06-019	Howfirma Trust	*	5.40A Forest-Unmgd, Maple Avenue
015-01-002-2	Howfirma Trust	*	9.00A Forest-Unmgd, 8.51A Wetland, Currierville Road
013-02-017-10	Ingalls Family Realty Trust,		6.00A Forest-Unmgd, 4.00A Wetland, Peaslee Crossing Road

Tax Map	Property Owner	Code	Acre/Description
003-02-003	Keezer, Dorothy M.		18.82A Forest-Unmgd, New Boston Road
012-02-017	Lion's Roar Realty Trust	*	12.00A Forest-Unmgd, South Main Street
005-05-005	Marden, Nancy J.	* +	1.52A Farm Land, 1.00A Forest-Mgd, Whittier Street
006-11-002	Marden, Nancy J.	* +	43.50A Forest-Mgd, 5.00A Wetland, Whittier Street
005-02-001	Mavrelion, James J. & Pamela	*	8.85A Forest-Unmgd, 1.25A Wetland, Bartlett Street
004-06-001	Messer, Richard J. & Bonnie L.		.50A Forest-Unmgd, Off Heath Street
004-07-005	Messer, Richard J. & Bonnie L.		4.00A Forest-Unmgd, 6.00A Unproductive Wetland, 1.10A Farm Land, Pond Street
010-02-010-6	Miles, Ann M.		29.86A Forest-Unmgd, Sarah's Way
010-02-010-7	Miles, Ann M.		1.50A Forest-Unmgd, Sarah's Way
002-03-012	Montoni, Jay & Carol		.50A Unprod Wet, Ridge Road
016-04-001	Moore, George F. & Beulah D.	*	1.50A Forest-Unmgd, Amesbury Road
016-04-001-1	Moore, George F. & Beulah D.	*	10.00A Farm Land, 11.50A Forest-Unmgd, Amesbury Road
008-01-001	Muir, Ann		3.65A Forest-Unmgd, Crane Crossing Road
008-01-001-1	Muir, Ann		4.60A Forest-Unmgd, Crane Crossing Road
008-01-002	Muir, Ann		1.40A Forest-Unmgd, Crane Crossing Road
004-07-001	Newman, William R.	* +	34.30A Forest-Mgd, Pond Street
004-07-009	Newman, William R..	* +	5.60A Forest-Mgd, Off Pond Street
007-04-007	Nichols, Ned F.	* +	54.70A Forest-Mgd, Smith Corner Road
014-01-003-1	Nichols, Ned F.	* +	15.10A Forest-Mgd, Off Smith Corner Road
011-07-019	Nicol Farm Partnership		19.03A Forest-Unmgd, Off Town Hall Road
011-07-036	Nicol Farm Partnership		16.00A Farm, 16.40A Forest-Unmgd, 5.00A Wetland, Bancroft Road
011-07-037	Nicol Farm Partnership		16.00A Farm, 4.66A Forest-Unmgd, 3.70A Wetland, Bancroft Road
011-11-001	Nicol Farm Partnership		4.27A Forest-Unmgd, Off Town Hall Road
012-06-015	Nicol Farm Partnership		16.00A Farm Land, 49.00A Forest-Unmgd, 10.00A Wetland, Merrimac Road
017-02-022	Nicol Farm Partnership		13.70A Forest-Unmgd, 8.00A Wetland, Off Bancroft Road
009-06-012	Nicol, Peter & Yvette		21.60A Forest-Unmgd, Gale Village Road
010-07-010	O'Malley, Karen L.		10.00A Forest-Unmgd, Maple Avenue
014-01-004	Owen, Hazel M.		22.00A Forest-Unmgd, South Main Street
008-02-016	Pagliccia, Frank & Brown, Donna		4.00A Forest-Unmgd, 6.00A Wetland, 12.00A Forest-Unmgd, Whittier Street
005-03-014	Pinkerton, James & Charlene		53.40A Forest-Unmgd, North Main Street
009-01-006	Pottie, Joseph & Patricia		2.50A Forest-Unmgd, Pond Street
001-04-001	Pramberg Family Realty Trust		

Tax Map	Property Owner	Code	Acre/Description
001-03-001	Pramberg, Jay P.		3.00A Forest-Unmgd, 2.00A Farm, 1.00A Unproductive, Webster Road
003-01-004-5	Redlund, David J. & Kathleen		17.00A Forest-Unmgd, 24.00A Unproductive, Keezer Lane
006-08-007	Reynolds, Forrest T.	(SPI) * +	8.00A Farm Land, 10.00A Forest-Mgd, 3.00A Wetland, Thornell Road
006-08-007-2	Reynolds, Forrest T.	(SPI) * +	3.58A Forest-Mgd, Thornell Road
016-04-008-1	Roberts, Steven & Harris, J.		10.14A Forest-Unmgd, Amesbury Road
008-02-002	Rooke, John T. III		3.20A Forest-Unmgd, 12.80A Unprod Wet Off Crane Crossing Road
017-04-010	Sargent, R. Scott, Robert R., Jane E.		4.29A Forest-Unmgd, Amesbury Rd
014-01-027	Dudley, Stephen & Deborah		195.03A Forest-Unmgd, South Main Street
007-03-021	Schmid USA INC., F.X.		17.80A Forest-Mgd, 6.20 Unproductive Crane Crossing Road
011-07-023-1	Smurrage, Est., Madeline		27.80A Forest-Unmgd, Off Town Hall Road
009-01-004	Spencer, Cecelia E.		12.45A Forest-Unmgd, North Main Street
009-06-007-1	Spencer, Cecelia E.	*	26.83A Unproductive Land, 3.00A Forest-Unmgd, North Main Street
006-01-002	Splaine, Jonathan		1.00A Wetland,.98A Forest-Unmgd, Country Pond Road
011-07-016	Standing, Elizabeth G.		8.38A Forest-Unmgd, Town Hall Road
011-07-016-1	Standing, Elizabeth G.		1.52A Forest-Unmgd, Town Hall Road
005-04-019-1	Stocker, Warren C.		8.99A Forest-Christmas Trees, 9.81A Forest-Unmgd, Highland Street
005-04-019-2	Stocker, Warren C.		24.40A Forest-Unmgd, Highland Street
008-02-017-21	Thompson, Douglas		10.13A Forest-Mgd, Williamine Drive
010-02-023	Thorkildsen, Karl & Gaines, J.		10.00A Forest-Unmgd, North Main Street
003-01-004-4	Trautman, William W.		7.76A Wetland, Keezer Lane
007-03-032	Turmel, Jay / Peaslee, Ken		25.00A Forest-Unmgd, Crane Crossing Rd
008-02-017-24	Wilson, Raymond T.		14.37A Forest-Mgd, Hunter's Way
015-02-001	Wotherspoon, Lee & Barbara A.		19.07A Forest-Unmgd, Currierville Road
007-01-003	Zadedda Farms, Inc.		9.00A Forest-Unmgd, Crane Crossing Road
Discretionary Easements			
006-08-006	Foy, James M. (Renewed 05/96)		8.00A Unproductive Land, Thornell (Backland)
006-09-006-5	Foy, James M. & Sandra P. (Filed on 07/08/93)		5.50A Forest-Unmgd, Chongor Drive

Note: * Recreational Land
+ Responsible Land Stewardship

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

For Care Of Lots In Willow Grove, Highland, Town, Union and Old Chase Cemeteries – 2003

Date	Account Name	Bank Name	Cemetery or purpose	Principal	Interest Balance 12/31/02	Interest Earned	Expended	Interest Balance 12/31/03
1903	Sarah M. Carter	Family Bank	Union	\$100.00	\$5.82	\$0.45	\$0.00	\$6.27
1913	Albert L. Lewis	Fleet Bank	Highland	\$100.00	\$93.69	\$0.86	\$0.00	\$94.55
1914	Johanna Dalton	Banknorth	Worthy Poor	\$1,000.00	\$862.87	\$24.69	\$0.00	\$887.56
1921	Axtell Library Fund	Family Bank	Library Books	\$500.00	\$36.35	\$5.19	\$0.00	\$41.54
1934	Al Boswell Memorial	Banknorth	Town Hall Repairs	\$1,000.00	\$1,704.93	\$27.19	\$0.00	\$1,732.12
1938	John A. Gale	Banknorth	Library Improvements	\$1,000.00	\$127.25	\$10.92	\$0.00	\$138.17
1938	Nathaniel Lowering	Family Bank	Library Improvements	\$350.00	\$19.20	\$1.58	\$0.00	\$20.78
1944	George L. Cheney	Family Bank	Union	\$100.00	\$5.82	\$0.45	\$0.00	\$6.27
1964	Charles C. Courser	Banknorth	Union	\$500.00	\$73.01	\$5.55	\$0.00	\$78.56
1973	Etta A. Clements	Family Bank	Union	\$250.00	\$14.57	\$1.13	\$0.00	\$15.70
1980	Lions Club Library Fund	Banknorth	Purchase Library Bks.	\$1,000.00	\$72.71	\$10.40	\$0.00	\$83.11
	Common Trust	Community Bank	Cemetery	\$54,448.94	\$11,776.11	\$2,007.61	\$2,007.61	\$11,776.11
1982	Capital Reserve Fund	Community Bank	Gale Library Building Fund	\$60,000.00	\$21,677.92	\$1,661.94	\$0.00	\$23,339.86
1987	Capital Reserve Fund	Sovereign Bank	Town Buildings	\$10,229.23	\$1,763.55	\$96.25	\$0.00	\$1,859.80
1997	Capital Reserve Fund	Community Bank	Sprinkler Fund	\$15,637.00	\$3,355.91	\$289.47	\$0.00	\$3,645.38
2001	Expendable General Trust Fund	Community Bank	Cable	\$32,400.00	\$653.09	\$346.35	\$0.00	\$999.44
2001	Capital Reserve Fund	Community Bank	Road System Improvement	\$25,000.00	\$465.87	\$266.85	\$0.00	\$732.72
	Total Trust Funds			\$203,615.17	\$42,708.67	\$4,756.88	\$3,313.03	\$45,457.94
2000	Trustee Saving Account	Community Bank	The Sprinkler Fund*	\$1,844.03	\$83.64	\$24.52	\$0.00	\$108.16
*The above account is from monies donated to the town for the Sprinkler System								

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Created for the Year ending December 31, 2003

HIGHLAND CEMETERY

Ronald Tardiff	\$250.00
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WILLOW GROVE CEMETERY

Donald & Pamela Yacubacci	\$500.00
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TOTAL	\$750.00
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Respectfully Submitted,
Theresa M. Morse, Andrea M. LeBlanc
Joseph A. Simone
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

More work has been done to the cemeteries this year. With the help of the Newton Police Force this year, we saw a lot less vandalism to the cemeteries. We are still working on reseeding the Willow Grove Cemetery.

Highland Cemetery is still in the planning stages for having the main roadway paved. This did not happen in 2003 as we had hoped.

The Town Hall Cemetery has seen some work done to it with three of its trees being slated for removal.

Quaker Grove Cemetery is still waiting for maintenance and repair. We had hoped to get to it in 2003 and now it is planned for 2004.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew P. Morse, Chairman
Raymond D. Thayer
Cemetery Trustees

VITAL STATISTICS

♦ MARRIAGES

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NEWTON, NH FOR THE YEAR ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 2003

Date	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence
January 24, 2003	Merrill, Jason P.	Newton, NH	Howell, Gisell T.	Newton, NH
January 27, 2003	Williams, Jason A.	Newton, NH	Longton, Kathleen	Newton, NH
February 22, 2003	Weiler, Edward M.	Virginia Beach, VA	Bruce, Katherine M.	Exeter, NH
May 31, 2003	Linscott, Edmund E.	Newton, NH	Laubner, Jamie L.	Newton, NH
June 7, 2003	Bernier, Kenneth J.	Rowley, MA	Emerson, Mary Ellen	Rowley, MA
June 14, 2003	Tidd, Christopher P.	Portsmouth, NH	Cook, Mandy M.	Newton, NH
June 19, 2003	Cutrona, Michael A.	Plaistow, NH	Jones, Erica M.	Newton, NH
June 21, 2003	Lyons, Justin B.	Newton, NH	Barlow, Melissa A.	Kingston, NH
June 21, 2003	Hall, Matthew L.	Fort Rucker, AL	Guay, Aimee L.	Newton, NH
June 28, 2003	Saulnier, Jeffery E.	Newton, NH	Warner, Jody L.	Newton, NH
June 29, 2003	Swett, Darryl R.	Georgetown, MA	Blake, Maureen P.	Newton, NH
July 25, 2003	Noseworthy, Richard A.	Newton, NH	Williams, Bethany L.	Salisbury, MA
July 26, 2003	Lent, Jeffrey D.	Newton, NH	Robinson, Barbara M.	Newton, NH
July 27, 2003	Blasavage, Mark E.	Newton, NH	Rabasco, Cynthia M.	Woonsocket, RI
August 2, 2003	Warren, Charles W.	Whitinsville, MA	Cook, Jeanine M.	Whitinsville, MA
August 2, 2003	St.Hilaire, Ryan P.	Newton, NH	Lombardi, Denise K.	Newton, NH
August 9, 2003	Bartlett, Gary A.	Amesbury, MA	Battle, Alissa S.	Amesbury, MA
August 22, 2003	Casey, Martin R.	Newton, NH	Knower, Lisa M.	Merrimac, MA
August 23, 2003	Hill, James M.	Newton, NH	Labrecque, Melissa L.	Newton, NH
August 30, 2003	Shea, Aaron A.	Newton, NH	Gaff, Jennifer L.	Newton, NH
August 30, 2003	Cloutier, Matthew E.	Newton, NH	Wawszkiewicz, Mary Ann	Newton, NH
September 6, 2003	Pickering, James D.	Newton, NH	McCormick, Jennifer L.	Newton, NH
September 6, 2003	Vokey, Eric J.	Newton, NH	Ranahan, Colleen J.	Newton, NH
September 27, 2003	White, Brian A.	Newton, NH	Jaffarian, Carol A.	Newton, NH
September 27, 2003	LaBelle III, Raymond E.	Portsmouth, NH	Crompton, Amy T.	Portsmouth, NH
October 4, 2003	Whirley, Joseph Pl.	Newton, NH	Geddes, Kelly A.	Newton, NH
October 4, 2003	Miller, Ernest H.	Plaistow, NH	Farina, Linda S.	Plaistow, NH
October 11, 2003	Colson, Gregory E.	Newton, NH	Zbink, Mattie C.	Newton, NH
October 11, 2003	Spencer, Michael T.	Newton, NH	Swiezynski, Helen	Newton, NH

October 11, 2003	Juchniewicz, George L.	Newton, NH	Greene, Joyce E.	Newton, NH
October 18, 2003	Markley, Dane	Lynnfield, MA	DeSilva, Michele E.	Newton, NH
December 9, 2003	Hutchinson, John A.	Amesbury, MA	Aparecida-DeOliveira, Luzia	Amesbury, MA
December 24, 2003	Heath, Richard A.	Newton, NH	Shively, Deborah A.	Newton, NH

◆ BIRTHS

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NEWTON, NH
FOR THE YEAR ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 2003

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Pivero, Hannah Joy	February 9, 2003	Exeter, NH	Pivero, Michael	Pivero, Patricia
Aloisio, Alexander Matthew	March 6, 2003	Portsmouth, NH	Aloisio, Kevin	Aloisio, Darlene
Roux, Brady John	March 11, 2003	Exeter, NH	Roux, Eric	Roux, Michelle
Lovecchio, Reagan Joseph	April 1, 2003	Methuen, MA	Lovecchio, Joseph	Lovecchio, Christene
Hanson, Lucas Joseph	April 22, 2003	Exeter, NH	Hanson, Douglas	Hanson, Melissa
Hone, Brynna Kenzie	June 11, 2003	Exeter, NH	Hone, Joel	Hone, Tara
Gibson, Diana Eileen	July 31, 2003	Exeter, NH	Gibson, Stephen	Gibson, Suzanne
Tedford, Jake Ethan	August 5, 2003	Exeter, NH	Tedford, Paul	Tedford, Jennifer
Fontaine, Drew John	August 12, 2003	Portsmouth, NH	Fontaine, William	Fontaine, Julie
Gilchrist, Guinevere Maeve	August 18, 2003	Exeter, NH	Gilchrist, Jeffrey	Gilchrist, Linda
Persch, Cael Travis	August 27, 2003	Exeter, NH	Persch, Travis	Persch, Stacey
Soletto, Abigail Frances Noel	October 22, 2003	Portsmouth, NH	Soletto, Charles	Soletto, Rachel

◆ DEATHS

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NEWTON, NH
FOR THE YEAR ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 2003

Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mothers Maiden Name
Burke, Edmund	January 3, 2003	Newton, NH	Burke, John	Murphy, Katherine
Grant, Frederic W.	January 4, 2003	Newton, NH	Grant, Charles	O'Connor, Kathleen
Brown, Diane F.	January 5, 2003	Exeter, NH	Brought for burial	
Durgin, Irene M.	January 15, 2003	Haverhill, MA	Brought for burial	
Eaton, Calvin E.	January 15, 2003	Boston, MA	Brought for burial	
Jennings, David W.	February 23, 2003	Newton, NH	Jennings, William	Bilodeau, Yvonne
Burns, Robert K.	February 28, 2003	Newton, NH	Burns, Everett	Durkee, Ruth
Lardieri, Joseph	March 13, 2003	Newton, NH	Lardieri, Gaetano	Salvatore, Rosa
Schenck, Eleanor M.	March 17, 2003	Methuen, MA	Brought for burial	
Austin, Walter C.	April 25, 2003	Newton, NH	Austin, Walter	Herrin, Eunice
Beauvais, Robert	May 12, 2003	Haverhill, MA	Brought for burial	
Belisle, Paul N.	May 20, 2003	Newton, NH	Belisle, Napoleon	Aubut, Jeanne
Aywaz Jr., Leon A.	March 22, 2003	Stuart, FL	Brought for burial	
Billings, Bruce O.	May 10, 2003	Newton, NH	Billings, Howard	
Camire, Paul	June 19, 2003	Manchester, NH	Camire, Adrien	Goodwin, Lois
Higgins, Ralph M.	July 26, 2003	Newton, NH	Higgins, Ralph W.	Fissette, Helen
Filiault, Karen	August 17, 2003	Waltham, MA	Brought for burial	Lynch, Clara
Kinsella, Marcelle C.	August 21, 2003	Exeter, NH	Garneau, Emile	Lacallade, Eva
Curtis, Ann M.	August 31, 2003	Exeter, NH	Smith, Ralph	Scanlan, Verna
Rowell, Dorothy G.	September 20, 2003	Brentwood, NH	Brought for burial	
Pattee, Ellen M.	October 2, 2003	Exeter, NH	Brought for burial	
Mattson, Arnold R.	October 15, 2003	Kingston, NH	Brought for burial	
Mueller, Fernande	October 22, 2003	Hampton, NH	Desharnais, Wilfred	Verrette, Louise
Fontaine, Pauline O.	October 27, 2003	Exeter, NH	Gagnon, Joseph	Bonneville, Eva

Note: Town Clerk cannot record event,
unless the actual document is on
file in the Town Clerks Office.

A true copy, Attest:
Raymond D. Thayer, Town Clerk

A SAFE PLACE

A Safe Place is a grassroots social change organization incorporated twenty - five years ago to prevent and eliminate domestic violence. Today we continue our commitment to provide free emergency shelter for those made homeless as a result of domestic violence and who need a safe and confidential location. Ours is the only emergency shelter for survivors of domestic violence in Rockingham and Strafford counties. There have been many changes since our incorporation in 1978, but one thing remains the same: our commitment to providing "an open door to safety" for survivors of domestic violence.

A SAFE PLACE is very grateful for the continued support you have given us over the years. During fiscal year 2002-2003 there were 4 Newton residents in our shelter for a total of 92 bed-nights and another 10 who received services other than shelter.

Our services include:

- 24 hour seven day a week hotline
- 24 hour seven day a week staffed shelter
- legal advocacy in the form of assisting a victim of domestic abuse obtain a temporary or permanent restraining order
- referrals to appropriate social service agencies
- peer support
- weekly support group for children staying at the shelter
- weekly support groups for the community

We appreciate your continuing support and value your annual contribution to our work with victims of domestic violence.

Respectfully submitted,
Deanna B. Gallant
Finance Manager

AREA HOMECARE & FAMILY SERVICES, INC.

Area HomeCare & Family Services provides home-care services to the elderly and people with disabilities so they may remain in their homes for as long as possible.

In our fiscal year 2003, we provided almost 1,000 hours of direct services to 14 elderly residents of Newton. We are also pleased to employ two residents of Newton as home-care providers.

Our mission is to provide home care services and companionship, to help the elderly of Newton stay in their homes for as long as they can. We are part of a community-based system of care set forth in the State of New Hampshire's - State Plan on Aging.

We look forward to a continued working relationship with Newton.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon McCollester, CEO

DRUGS ARE DANGEROUS, INC.

D.A.D. Inc. (Drugs Are Dangerous) is looking for your support of \$2,000 to continue the work we do in the Sanborn Regional School District to help with anti-drug information and Natural High or Drug-Free activities.

We provide additional support for Red Ribbon Week to all the schools. We hold an annual free bingo night for middle school students. We hold free roller skating parties for students and their families. We hold the annual family Natural High Day at Camp Lincoln. We help organize and support parenting classes, Project Stand By Me and Project Safeguard. The eighth graders are provided with a trip to Water Country at a significant reduction in price. We also provide a donation to the after prom night.

We have the additional expense of insurance, which has tripled since our beginning. The voters of Kingston and Newton have banned together financially to meet our expenses. We have no paid staff. There is no reimbursement for travel or phone calls.

We appreciate your continued support!

Respectfully submitted,
Kristy A. Lacroix
President

FAMILY MEDIATION & JUVENILE SERVICES

Last year, our twentieth in operation, we provided services to 630 youth and parents from the towns of Atkinson, Danville, Hampstead, Kingston, Newton, Plaistow and Salem. Our programs include: *Parent-Child Mediation; Peer Mediation; Challenge Course (Drug and Alcohol Abuse); TLC (Anger Management); SSTOP (Stop Shoplifting Teens Option Program); Up In Smoke (Tobacco Education); Community Service and Restitution Programs* as well as various workshops and presentations.

In addition to receiving funds from the above towns, Heritage United Way, and Rockingham County DCYF, we also received grant money from the Timberlane Regional School District to sustain the parenting component for the Challenge and TLC Courses for 2003. These classes have been a tremendous success. They assist parents to learn alternative skills of communicating and interacting with their youth, allowing a better understanding of their youth's daily challenges. The outcome is a more creative, positive family dynamic, which leads to decreased high-risk behavior at home and in the community.

The Peer Mediation workshops at Sanborn and Timberlane Regional schools have been well received by the youth, parents, and the schools. Today, more than ever, a program such as this is needed to build positive self-esteem and role models within the school system as well as the community.

Other 2003 activities include:

- Medication cases increased 11% over 2002;
- Youth placed at community service sites-712 hours of service returned to the community;
- \$2,992 in monetary restitution was returned to the victims;

- Our resource/referral book has been updated by an extremely industrious volunteer intern;
- New fundraising efforts have been initiated, allowing us to sustain and improve programs;
- Hampstead's Health Fair and Project Respect were again attended with great success;
- We continued to expand Tobacco Education workshops in area schools;
- Participated in Salem Middle School's Read-to-Lead Day;
- Round-table meetings with area police and school personnel were attended regularly;
- Facilitated a Parent/Child Mediation training for eight new mediators;
- Sponsored Red Ribbon week at local libraries and town halls;
- 45 people attended our Annual Gathering held in appreciation for the volunteers.

Family Mediation & Juvenile Services is dedicated to serving area youth and families. We would again like to thank the townspeople, judges, donors, volunteers (mediators, community service supervisors, etc.) and the staff, who make it all possible.

Family Mediation Board of Directors

Andrea Bonner, Kingston	Arline Grant, Hampstead
Dale Childs, Hampstead	Kathleen Marino, Newton
Judith Cogswell, Danville	Martha Sumner, Plaistow
Debra DeSimone, Atkinson	Lawrence Streeter, Newton
Dick Gerrish, Kingston	

LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

Lamprey Health Care is a non-profit, community based primary health care organization providing medical services, social services, information and referral and transportation for seniors and adults with disabilities in Rockingham County.

Our purpose is to assist in the operation of the Senior Citizen Transportation Program operating in Newton. Service is available to Newton residents each Thursday for shopping, medical appointments, pharmacy and other needs. There are also monthly daylong recreational outings that include lunch and a visit to a seasonal point of interest. Medical appointments are provided on an as needed basis and are scheduled through the Transportation Coordinator.

Funds will also be used to assist in providing primary care medical services for all, prenatal through geriatric. Eight family physicians and one pediatrician practice at Lamprey Health Care providing comprehensive medical care, social services, nutritional counseling, mental health services and prevention and education activities. No one is refused care because they cannot pay. A sliding fee scale is available to residents of your community to allow them access to medical services.

We appreciate your community's continued support of our services.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Eldridge
Director of Ancillary Services

NH SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

In the last twelve months, we have provided care and shelter for over 3,600 animals at our location in Stratham and provided other services to many more members of the community. We have cared rescued more than 200 animals from situations of cruelty and neglect from communities in Rockingham County and other New Hampshire towns.

Along with taking in animals from your community and placing many of them into good homes, we also assist animal control officers, educate children and adults about the humane treatment of animals, and provide many other services that directly affect your community. In January of 2004 we will open a new Learning Center and expand our work to educate our needed obedience training for dogs that are designed to improve the human animal bond and reduce the number of unwanted pets due to behavior issues.

NHSPCA Community Report for Newton is as follows:

NHSPCA FY 2003 Programs & Services Expenses

\$583,007 - includes animal care and sheltering services, humane education, community services and cruelty investigations.

3,610 - total number of animals cared for in last 12 months.

2,462 - total number of school children receiving humane education in last 12 months.

466 - total number of animal cruelty reports investigated in the last 12 months.

53 - total number of families receiving services.

35 - number of school children receiving humane education.

14 - number of animals surrendered.

23 - number of animals adopted by residents.

Services provided by the NHSPCA include:

Adoption and Surrender Services, Medical care for the animals, obedience training, humane education, programs for senior citizens, low cost rabies vaccination clinics, resource information and support, KIND Club for kids ages 10-13, Jr. Volunteer Program for kids 14-16, and animal foster care program.

More than ever your town's support of our efforts is critical to the continuation of our services. As a community based organization, our only sources of funding are donations from the communities we serve. We receive no state or federal assistance whatsoever.

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia MacDonald
Director of Development and Marketing

ROCKINGHAM VNA & HOSPICE

Rockingham VNA & Hospice is a comprehensive, non-profit home health agency, founded more than 100 years ago, born out of a traditional American value - neighbors helping neighbors.

The mission of Rockingham VNA & Hospice is to always demonstrate to our patients, families and community that WE CARE by ensuring that... well being is as important as being well. Excellence is delivered every time. Commitment is unconditional. Advocacy results in action. Respect and dignity are preserved. Encouragement and education enable independence.

SERVICES PROVIDED

Home Care Services: Many complex problems are being cared for in the home setting, rather than in the hospital. Our home care services bring together a variety of services and therapies that are provided in the home in lieu of, or following hospitalization, as prescribed by your physician. When a physician prescribes home health care, a registered nurse is assigned to coordinate all of the patient's in-home services, assess patient needs, and in collaboration with the physician, develop an individualized "Plan of Care".

Coordination of services includes:

- Registered Nurses
- Physical Therapists
- Occupational Therapists
- Speech Therapists
- Certified Home Health Aides
- Medical Social Workers
- Registered Dietitian
- Coordination of Care and Case Management
- Referrals of Community Resources

Hospice Care: Hospice is a philosophy of care that accepts death as a natural part of life, seeking neither to hasten nor to prolong the dying process. Hospice is caring and strives to help patients truly "live until they die".

Adult Health Promotion Clinics: This provides intervention, education and prevention services designed to help older adults maintain their health and independence.

Specifically Rockingham VNA & Hospice provided home care and hospice services to 24 Newton residents. These services included nearly 460 home visits and 171 visits to our community health promotion clinics. The net revenue for these services was \$43,900. The unreimbursed amount for the services provided was \$6,812. Funding for the unreimbursed dollars is supported through funding from individual towns, United Way and individual or group donations.

Rockingham VNA & Hospice thanks Newton residents for their continued support and the privilege to serve your community.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Swierk
Rockingham VNA & Hospice

SEACARE HEALTH SERVICES

SeaCare Health Services provides access to affordable healthcare through a volunteer network of over 380 providers in 21 towns in Rockingham County. People who qualify for the program do not qualify for government programs. Services include: care coordination, medical, mental health and dental care, health education and pharmaceutical assistance through Medication Bridge. Funds will be used to provide any or all of the above services to eligible residents of the Town of Newton.

As the economic recovery has not benefited the low wage earners we serve, we believe that requests for our services will continue to increase. In addition to new participants, people already enrolled, stay on the program for longer periods of time.

We have enjoyed your support in the past and look forward to your continued funding. We appreciate your help in providing such important services to the people of Newton.

Respectfully,
Kathleen Crompton
Program Director

VIC GEARY CENTER

The Vic Geary Center serves as a senior center for seven towns: Plaistow, Hampstead, Atkinson, Sandown, Newton, Danville and Kingston. The following information will provide some insight into the diverse activities and services offered to the senior citizens of your community.

The Rockingham Nutrition & Meals On Wheels Program operates from the center 5 days per week providing a hot noon meal in the dining room and Meals On Wheels to homebound clients in the 7 towns. During the past year, 29,148 meals were served from the center. It should be noted that 22,506 of those meals were delivered to elderly and disabled residents of the area. Through this program, 32 residents of Newton received meals on a regular basis equaling approximately 3,122 meals for the year. Other town residents participate in special events throughout the year, for which formal records are not kept. In the 7-town area, 294 residents participated in the meals program. In addition to the meals, 17,362 units of social service including home visits, referrals, support counseling, care management, general information and advocacy were provided from the center. 2,873 rides were provided, and senior volunteers working at the center under the auspices of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program supplied 2,872.5 hours of service.

Several area senior organizations regularly meet free of charge at the Vic Geary. Day bus trips were offered and enjoyed by many area seniors this past year. Special meal celebrations for Thanksgiving, Christmas, summer picnic, lobster specials and other holidays are very well attended by approximately 100 persons on each occasion. A van and driver provided daily transportation for those seniors wishing to attend clinics and meals.

Throughout the year, monthly blood pressure and twice a month foot care clinics are held at the center by Rockingham Visiting Nurses. Other clinics such as hearing and sight are conducted regularly by area Physicians. Fuel assistance intakes are done on an annual basis. 150 area residents received flu shots in October. Informative guest speakers on subjects of interest such as financial planning are invited throughout the year. Aerobics classes, dance classes, beano, card and board games, pool and movie viewing are daily recreational activities offered at the center. The WIC program now distributes surplus food monthly from the Vic Geary to income eligible area seniors and other area residents.

The building is rented to private individuals and groups. Several non-profit organizations hold their meetings at the Vic Geary, including Trinity Charismatic Episcopal Church and the Knights of Pythias and Plaistow Lions. Other civic organizations holding regular meetings free of charge. Throughout the year, other organizations hold information meetings to the public free of charge including Department of Environmental Services and Family Violence Council, Plaistow Area Transportation Committee and NH Planning Commission.

Vic Geary's purpose is to provide a pleasant, safe gathering place for area senior citizens to congregate, eat a nutritious noon meal, participate in recreational activities; to provide necessary services such as blood pressure, foot and flu clinics, distribution of surplus foodstuffs, and fuel assistance intakes.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Bonagura, Treasurer

WEST NILE VIRUS

In 2003, New Hampshire joined 44 other states with human cases of West Nile Virus (WNV). Nationwide, approximately 9000 humans tested positive for WNV with 211 deaths. There have been no reported cases of this disease in Newton involving humans to date. Since 2001, both birds and horses have tested positive for WNV in Newton. Preventing a sustained local outbreak is achieved through public education, surveillance and an active control program.

Dragon's second year in Newton allowed us to expand our breeding site survey. Frequent rains kept crews busy all season long. Newton's surveillance program started in April with a larval survey. Site inspection reveals the location of any mosquito breeding, different species present, mosquito abundance, when mosquitoes are becoming active and other site characteristics such as the presence of natural predators. Information gained provides us with the ability to take appropriate action. Clogged streams are cleared of debris keeping them flowing and washing away any mosquito larvae. Dragon relies on a biological larvicide as primary means of control. *Bacillus* bacteria, known as Bti, is applied to stagnant pools before mosquito larvae fully develop. Newton's catch basin treatment program is an effective way to prevent the spread of WNV to mosquitoes, birds and humans.

Homeowners can take an active part in decreasing the number of disease carrying mosquitoes. Containers such as tires, fountains, gutters, tarps and kiddie pools are home to several species of mosquitoes that carry WNV. Residents can eliminate thousands of mosquitoes by emptying containers on a weekly basis and after every rainfall. Mosquito breeding was found in tires, boats, buckets and other containers at many residences and businesses.

If you do not want your property sprayed for mosquitoes, please send a letter to Dragon Mosquito Control, PO Box 46, Stratham, NH. Otherwise, your property may be treated for mosquitoes. If you have written to us in past years, call our office to reaffirm your request. Our phone number is 964-8400. You can call our office from April through September for assistance regarding mosquitoes, insecticides used, spray schedules, or WNV information.

Respectfully submitted,
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